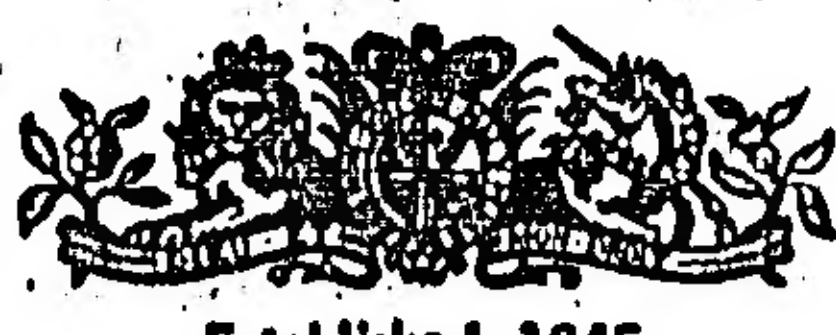


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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Britain And Egypt

It remains to be seen what are the intentions behind General Naguib's sudden decision to hurl unfounded allegations against Britain concerning the Sudan agreement: whether, for example, it is a ploy to repudiate a pact so painstakingly negotiated, or whether the Egyptian Prime Minister is merely trying to create general embarrassment and to slow down implementation of the agreement. First indication that General Naguib has his own peculiar ideas of the meaning of the pact was given recently when he interpreted certain clauses as giving the Sudanese the right to align themselves with Egypt, but denying them the privilege, after attaining full independence, of joining the British Commonwealth. Now, it would appear, he is seeking to discount completely Britain's assurances to the Sudanese that their rights will be strictly safeguarded when the new constitution becomes effective. This, however, from Britain's point of view is a basic condition of the agreement reached with Egypt, and under no circumstances can it be permitted to be violated. General Naguib's anxiety to rid the Sudan of any sort of British influence is fast becoming an obsession; also being cast into doubt his sincerity for the complete independence of the Sudanese, and his respect for the terms of the agreement under which the Sudanese are to obtain full nationhood. Egypt's obstructive attitude over the formation of a Commission whose duty it will be to advise the Sudan Governor-General during the transfer of power to the country increases these suspicions, and Mr. Selwyn Lloyd's declaration that Britain is "determined to ensure that the Sudanese shall have the right to express their views free from interference or undue pressure from any quarter" is therefore warmly welcomed.

THE Egyptian Government grandiloquently announces that it "expects to reach an agreement with Britain regarding the Suez Canal Zone very shortly," but such confidence must be considered misplaced while General Naguib and his Ministers persist in trying to torpedo the Sudan pact and at the same time approach the Canal Zone question with dictatorial statements such as "We shall demand unconditional evacuation by British troops." General Naguib appears to regard the future status of the Canal Zone as being important only so far as it should conform to Egypt's national aspirations. But it is an area of much greater significance; it possesses strategic and tactical importance to the whole of the Middle East, and any precipitate moves capable of rendering it vulnerable to aggressors would automatically weaken the defences of Egypt's neighbours. Total evacuation of British troops without compensating concessions that will ensure the future safety of the Canal Zone, and with it the defensive security of the Middle East, is not to be contemplated. Egypt's ability to withstand aggression and to safeguard the Canal on her own is strongly doubted by all military experts; indeed they are convinced that without powerful assistance, the Egyptians could not successfully protect it against a full-scale attack. There is room for an agreement under which Egypt will eventually assume full and sole control of the Canal Zone, but not, at this time, one which provides no adequate safeguards for the security of such a vital area.

# SOVIET JETS SHOT DOWN BRITISH PLANE

## Earlier Incident Reported PROTEST NOTE ORDERED

### Soviet Version Of What Happened

London, Mar. 13.

The Soviet Union has admitted that Soviet fighters fired on the British Lincoln bomber shot down over Germany yesterday but charged that it was about 75 miles inside Soviet-controlled East German territory.

A letter sent by General Chulikov, the Russian Commander-in-Chief in Germany, to Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, British High Commissioner, and reported by Tass, the Soviet official news agency, early today said:

"According to a report from the command of the Soviet Air Force section of Schwerin, which was checked by me, a bomber plane was observed over the territory of the German Democratic Republic in the region of Boizenburg at 1420 o'clock, Berlin time, on March 12.

"The plane was flying on the route Boizenburg, Parchim, Rostock."

The letter continued: "The plane has thus flown a distance of 120 kilometres into the German Democratic Republic. As the plane continued its course the Soviet fighters which were at that time in the air, demanded that the trespassing plane should follow them to land on the nearest airfield, according to rules in force for the Soviet Air Force, as is also the rule in other countries."

"OPENED FIRE"

"The trespassing plane not only failed to submit to this lawful demand but opened fire on the Soviet planes. A Soviet plane was obliged to answer by a warning shot."

"The trespassing plane, however, continued firing at the Soviet plane."

"The Soviet fighters were obliged to open fire in return, after which the aircraft began to lose height and fell southwest of Schwerin, on the territory of the German Democratic Republic."

"Debris of the shattered aircraft have been found at a spot where it fell. It was found to be a military aircraft—a bomber of the Avro Lincoln type with British identification marks."

"The bodies of four airmen have been found. One badly injured airmen has been taken to hospital."

"On the shattered plane were two aviation guns, a machine gun of large calibre, ammunition and spent cartridges."

"Informing you of the above annoying facts concerning the mentioned British military aircraft also protest to you against the violation by British aircraft of the demarcation line of the German Democratic Republic frontier."

"Signed Chulikov."—Reuter.

London, Mar. 12.

The jets that attacked a RAF Lincoln bomber today definitely were Soviet planes, a Foreign Office spokesman disclosed.

At the same time, the Air Ministry disclosed that the attack was the second incident today.

Earlier, another Lincoln on a similar exercise had been the object of a "threatening mock attack" by two Soviet MIGs near Kassel, well within the British Zone.

A statement issued by the Air Ministry said: "A RAF Lincoln of the Flying Training Command, on a routine exercise, was shot down by MIG fighters today in the Hamburg-Berlin air corridor near the zonal frontier."

"Five of the crew were killed and two wounded."

"Earlier today, another RAF Lincoln of the Flying Training Command, on a similar routine exercise, had been the object of a threatening mock attack by two Soviet MIG fighters near Kassel, well within the British Zone."

"Her Majesty's Government take a grave view of this serious event within the Hamburg-Berlin air corridor. The United Kingdom's High Commissioner in Germany has been instructed to protest to the Soviet High Commissioner in Germany in the strongest terms against this deliberate attack upon British aircraft involving the death of British airmen."

"He is to request that an investigation be undertaken immediately by the Soviet authorities, that those responsible for this outrage be punished, and that due reparations be made for damage and property."

**REDS HOLD BODIES**

In Luenburg, Germany, British officials said they understood the bodies of three missing airmen were being held in the village of Horst, just inside the Russian Zone.

The pilot of the Lincoln and two other crewmen were in West German hospitals.

The shattered wreckage of the bomber—an obsolescent World War II Lincoln—was strewn over a wide area of the Iron Curtain frontier which separates the British and Soviet occupation zones.

The greater part of the wreckage, British officials said, plunged in a flaming crash near the village of Boizenburg—a Soviet Zone village just across the Elbe from the British Zone. Other parts of the wreckage landed in British territory.

In an official report, the incident, the British said "some unknown hero" among the British crew jetisoned the plane's

secret code book and other documents over the British Zone before the plane exploded in the air. These were recovered by British agents.

A spokesman said it was understood some Eighth Hussars at the scene of the incident had picked up a shell case and a shell clip. He added: "The significance of this is that Lincoln aircraft are not armed with cannons. In other words, the shell case and the clip apparently came from the attacking Russian planes and could serve to identify them."

United Press.

**CHURCHILL'S ORDER**

London, Mar. 12.

The British Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, tonight personally ordered the "strongest possible protest against the shooting down of a Royal Air Force Lincoln bomber by a Soviet Air Force fighter."

Tonight he summoned experts and officials to his official residence at No. 10 Downing Street, to study reports on the incident.

The British protest will be lodged with the Soviet authorities in Berlin by the British High Commissioner, Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick.

Russian and East German sources kept silent on the incident.

The Foreign Office said the doomed plane made a sweep before coming down in flames, and dropped secret papers into the British Zone.

British military police in the area said they had picked up torn log-books and maps. They thought one of the crew had torn them up before jetisoning them.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that the fighter had been recognised as an MIG. He said that an Eighth Hussar officer in the locality picked up the "case and clips" of a cannon shell which Lincoln bombers do not carry. The bomber was heading for the British Zone and was very close to it.

He said that it was not unusual for aircraft to carry confidential papers.

He said the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, who is at present in New York, had been kept in touch today with the events following the shooting down of the bomber.

The news of the attack has created a grave and painful impression in London. It comes only two days after the shooting down of a United States Thunderbolt over Bavaria by a Czech Air Force Russian-built fighter.—Reuter.

**3 PLANES IN COLLISION**

London, Mar. 12.

Three Royal Navy aircraft from the aircraft carrier, Eagle, today collided in mid-air whilst on escort duty to President Tito now on his way to Britain.

Four airmen are reported missing in this triple crash.

President Tito who is on board the Yugoslav vessel, Galch, is being escorted by units of the Royal Navy including the aircraft carrier, Eagle—France-Press.

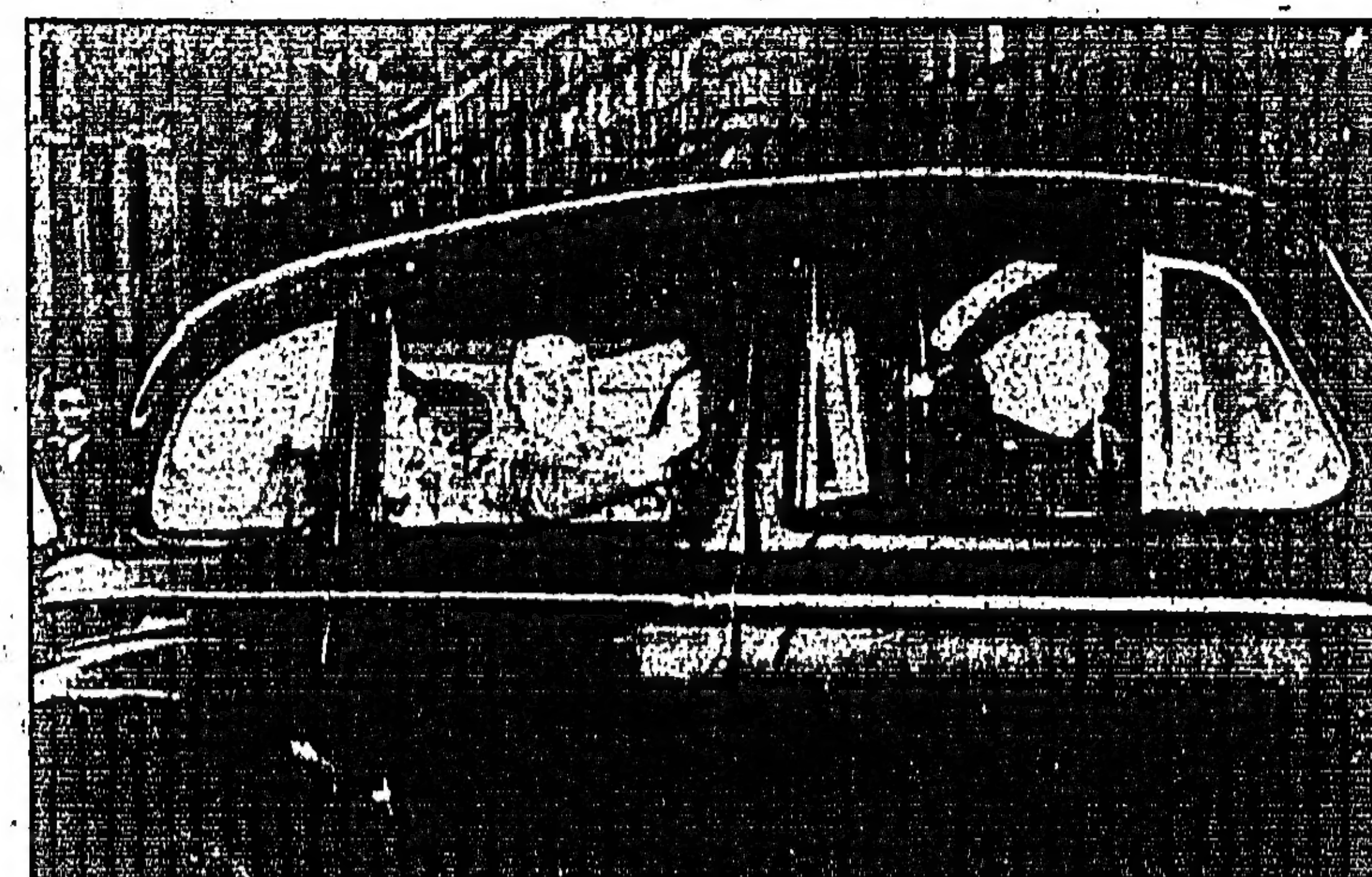
**Reds Blamed For Several Other Plane Incidents**

Frankfurt, Mar. 12.

The Communists have been blamed for bringing down seven foreign planes over Europe before today's incident.

This is the record:

1. April 5, 1948: A British airliner crashed in Berlin after collision with a Soviet Yak fighter.
2. April 8, 1950: An American Navy privateer bomber disappeared over the Baltic with its 10 crew. The United States blamed the Russians, who denied responsibility.
3. November 17, 1951: A United States Air Force C-47 transport was forced down over Hungary on a flight from Germany to Yugoslavia. The four crew were arrested and later released on payment of a fine.
4. April 8, 1952: Two Soviet fighters shot up a French airliner between West Germany and Berlin. The plane reached Berlin with two wounded passengers.
5. June 13, 1952: A Swedish training plane disappeared over the Baltic with its crew of eight. The Swedes said it had been fired on and blamed Russia.
6. June 10, 1952: A Swedish Catalina flying boat was shot down into the Baltic while searching for the Dakota lost three days before. The seven crew were picked up.
7. March 10, 1953: A United States Air Force F-84 Thunderbolt was shot down over the American zone of Germany near the Czech border by Czech MIG-15 fighters.—Reuter.



These two pictures were taken this morning when Sir Arthur and Lady Morse were drawn in their car from the Hongkong Bank to Queen's Pier en route to the RMS Canton. Top shows Sir Arthur smiling and waving to the huge crowd, and above, members of the Bank staff hauling the car to the pier.—Staff Photographer.

## Sir Arthur And Lady Morse Given A Spectacular Send-Off

With the cheers of thousands of well-wishers on the quayside ringing in their ears, Sir Arthur and Lady Morse made a triumphant departure from Hongkong this morning.

As their launch, the Wayfoong, headed for the mainland, where the RMS Canton, which is to take them to England, was berthed, thousands of fireworks were let off in a louder-than-21-gun salute, a typical Chinese expression of good will.

The fireworks continued long after the onlookers had lost sight of the launch and the accompanying Sea Scout boat among the junks and ferries and sea-going vessels in the harbour, and many of the crowd remained for longer still, staring and waving in the direction of the waiting Canton.

Long before the couple were due to leave the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at ten o'clock, a large and enthusiastic crowd had collected outside, lining the route to the Queen's Pier. More than fifty policemen were pronounced by one Inspector "not nearly enough to hold them back."

Outside the Bank stood Sir Arthur's car, with sixteen of the Bank's junior "foreign" employees holding two white ropes waiting to tow it to the Pier. Other employees waited at the windows of the building to wave a last farewell to their former Manager.

**A LOUD CHEER**

Punctually at ten o'clock Sir Arthur and Lady Morse came through the bank's glass doors for the last time. There was a loud cheer from the crowd, and someone shouted "Three Cheers for Sir Arthur." Sir Arthur, in a grey suit, and Lady Morse in a grey costume with a green hat and posy of violets, turned and waved to the staff of the Bank they were leaving behind. Then they climbed into the car and were towed past the four-deep crowd on both sides of the road, to the Pier, where representatives of all the Associations in

Among those present were: The Governor's ADC, Mr. D.A.R. Colborne (representing the Governor), Lt.-Gen. Sir Terence Airey (Commander British Forces in Hongkong), Maj.-Gen. R. C. Cradock, Commodore H. G. Dickenson, Col. L. T. Bide, the Hon. R. B. Black (Colonial Secretary), Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. John Kewick and Mrs. Kewick, the Hon. D. J. R. Crozier, the Hon. R. R. Todd, Dr. the Hon. S. N. Chau and Mrs. Chau, the Hon. H. J. Collar, Mr. C. Baker, Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, Mr. Horace Kadoorie, Mr. E. E. Marden, Mr. J. H. Ruttenberg, Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins and Mrs. Hawkins, Mr. G. W. Aldington, Mr. and Mrs. Kwok Chan, Mr. J. R. Jones, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Woo, Mr. J. M. Alves, Mr. F. M. Ribeiro, Mr. Dhun Ruttenberg and Mrs. Ruttenberg, Mr. U. Tat-chue, Mr. and Mrs. George Kwok, Mr. Ngan, Shing-kwan, Mrs. Violet Chan, Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Mr. J. B. Kite, and Col. E. C. Frederick.

## Triumphant Departure

## Hongkong Must Live Says Eden

### US "Must Accept The Fact"

New York, Mar. 12.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, assured Americans here today that the British people were with them "as loyal comrades in the world struggle for peace and freedom."

But he complained to a Foreign Policy Association dinner here that British Far Eastern policy had been "misrepresented in all sorts of ways and places."

Mr. Eden told the 1,200 guests that since the Korean war began no arms had been sold to Communist China from any British territory, and that under the new measures to stop leaks which Britain had promised to take Hongkong could not play its normal economic role, and the United States had to accept the fact that Hongkong must live.

**GOODS DENIED CHINA**

Even before the United Nations passed its resolution denying strategic materials to China, Britain and her colonies had denied such goods to China. Britain had done all she could to prevent the evasion of her ban on carrying strategic materials to China by sea, Mr. Eden said, and she was constantly on the lookout for possible loopholes.

Mr. Eden described the new measures Britain would take as a result of his talks in Washington last week, but said they did not represent a new policy—they were designed to stop leaks in an existing system.

Britain accepted the fact that as a result of this policy Hongkong could not play its normal economic role, Mr. Eden said.—Reuter.

## STATE OF SIEGE ON FRONTIER

Belgrade, Mar. 12.

Tanjug, the official Yugoslav news agency, said today that Rumania had imposed "virtually a state of siege" on her frontier with Yugoslavia following Stalin's death.

Big Soviet units were expected soon to reinforce Rumanian frontier forces, the agency said. Restaurants and public houses in Rumanian frontier towns had been closed on Government orders and gatherings of more than four people prohibited.—Reuter.

## Prison For Anti-Semitism

Cologne, Mar. 12.

Ewald Hoffer, 27-year-old truck driver, was sentenced to three months in gaol by a German magistrate's court here today for publicly making anti-Semitic statements.

Hoffer pleaded guilty to making statements in October, 1952, and earlier this month in Cologne. The youth admitted saying "Far too few Jews were gassed. They should all have been killed. Then we would at least have peace from the whole pack of them."

Hoffer said he did not know why he said what he did. The City Prosecutor told the Court that Hoffer's statements were destructive to all decent social relations and that they could not be permitted in Germany today.—United Press.

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Yelling in the 30th annual poll by the publication showed these other film winners:—The Greatest Show on Earth, The African Queen, Ivanhoe, Come Back Little Sheba, The Lavender Hill Mob, Singing in the Rain, With a Song in My Heart, and Viva Las Vegas.—United Press.

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## Peron Visit To Chile



The Argentine Dictator, President Peron, is seen here surrounded by a bevy of local lovelies when he was welcomed by a large group of Gauchos during his State visit to Santiago, Chile, as guest of the President. — Express Photo.

## SENATE ORDERS INQUIRY

### Alleged Shortage Of Ammunition

Washington, Mar. 12. The Senate Armed Services Committee today ordered an investigation into the shortage of ammunition in Korea when it declared that such a shortage existed.

Senator Lovett Saltonstall (Republican, Massachusetts), the Chairman, said the Committee had decided that the critical shortages claimed by General James A. Van Fleet, retiring Korean Army Field Commander, "have been fully substantiated."

The chairman was directed to appoint a five-man subcommittee to make an investigation.

Mr Saltonstall said this inquiry would try to "pin this responsibility on people, on the law or on economic conditions."

A resolution ordering the inquiry was put forward by Senator Harry Byrd, Democrat, Virginia. He has declared that those responsible for what he termed "this criminal negligence" should be punished.

General Van Fleet made allegations about the ammunition shortage in Korea when he appeared before the Senate Armed Services Committee last Thursday.

General Van Fleet testified that failure to supply munitions had seriously handicapped prosecution of the war against the Communist Chinese and North Koreans. The most acute shortage was of hand grenades, he said.

General Mark Clark, United Nations Commander in Korea, commenting on General Van Fleet's report, said last Friday: "There is always a shortage of ammunition in the minds of those who want to shoot it."

## Setback For Prosecution

Paris, Mar. 12. The Government tonight lost a round in its fight to start prosecutions against France's five leading Communists on charges of demoralising the French armed forces and threatening "the integrity of French territories."

The National Assembly's immunity committee decided by nine votes to seven that it could not make any recommendations for the time being on the Government request that the Parliamentary immunity of the five leaders should be lifted.

The Government request was put to Parliament last October. The five leaders, whom the Government is seeking to prosecute, are Jacques Duclos, Francois Billoux, Etienne Fajon, Raymond Guyot and Andre Marty.

Parliamentary quarters said no further action on the Communists could be foreseen in the immediate future.—Reuter.

# Talks On Indo-China To Be Held In U.S.

Saigon, Mar. 12. Senior American diplomatic, military and economic chiefs in Indo-China will fly to Washington late this month to join high-level talks on U.S. aid to France and especially to pushing the war against the Communist-led Vietnam.

U. S. Ambassador Donald Heath is to participate in the conference at the State Department between French Premier Mayer and Secretary of State Dulles.

Mr Heath will leave by plane for Paris on March 17 accompanied by Brig.-Gen. John T. H. Trapnell, Chief of the U.S. Military Advisory Group and Frederic Barillet, Director of the Mutual Security programme in Indo-China.

French Minister Lecomte will join them in Paris for the flight to Washington on March 24.

M. Lecomte, who is also High Commissioner for Indo-China, is due back in Saigon on March 17 from Australia where he has been given assurances of Australian military and economic support for the French Union's efforts to hold the Indo-Chinese bastion against Communist aggression in Southeast Asia.

### ELASTIC DEFENCE

M. Lecomte is to see General Clark, who is arriving from Tokyo on March 17 for a first-hand look at development of the Indo-Chinese Army and its fuller participation in the war against the Vietnam.

The French Army meanwhile, is shifting arms, munitions, barbed wire and concrete to North Indo-China to strengthen defence positions against an expected attack by the Vietnamese.

General Sulan, French Commander-in-Chief here, said on Wednesday that a violent enemy attack is expected soon. He was preparing an elastic defence—permitting isolated troops to fall back on reinforced strong points.

The French used this strategy last Autumn, pulling back into the fortress of Na San which the enemy was unable to overrun.

French Union forces are now patrolling 60 miles from Na San in a southeasterly direction towards Yen Chau and Moc Chau. The enemy offensive is expected to start from there.—Associated Press.

### MISSION TO PARIS

Washington, Mar. 12. Reliable diplomatic sources said today that Colonel Robert Hoey, head of the Indo-China desk at the State Department, is at present in Paris to find out about the Indo-China aid programme that the French Premier, M. Rene Mayer, is expected to submit officially when he arrives here towards the end of the month.

It is understood that Col Hoey's presence is welcomed in Paris as the French Government is anxious for the State Department to be in the position of making some policy decisions in regard to Indo-China aid when M. Mayer and three other French Cabinet Ministers arrive here.

These sources believed that Col Hoey will remain in Paris to confer with the French Minister of the Associated States of Indo-China, M. Jean Lecomte, as soon as he arrives from Australia where he obtained a promise of Australian military and economic aid for Indo-China.

Meantime, an important exchange of views is taking place between General Omar Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Marshal Alphonse Juin, at SHAPE Headquarters near Paris, regarding defence strategy in the Far East from Korea to Indo-China, the source said.

General Bradley, before he left here to attend Command Post exercises at SHAPE, attached considerable importance to discussing with Marshal Juin Far East problems following the latter's return from Korea, Japan and Indo-China.—United Press.

## ALLEGATION IN JAPAN

# Moral Standards Lowered By The Occupation

Tokyo, Mar. 13. Japanese teachers, civic organisations and the Press complain that Japanese moral standards have been lowered since the country was occupied by foreign troops.

But there is disagreement about how much responsibility should be placed on the foreign men and how much on the Japanese women.

One faction maintaining that the responsibility lies with the hundreds of girls who frequent every area where United Nations troops are based.

The other faction says that the Occupation troops first lowered Japan's moral standards, and the decline has been continued by the American garrison forces and the United Nations troops.

Both groups have called for more effective police action to bring about a return to the nation's pre-war "high moral standards". Others fear police interference in "human rights".

A conference of Japanese teachers recently made angry protests against prostitutes who "do business" in empty classrooms and turn children's playgrounds into meeting places for "night hawks".

A conference committee reported that when United States troops arrive in Shizuoka in southern Japan, for manoeuvres, street walkers "stream in and do business on straw mats in the open".

Countering complaints, the commanding officer of the American base placed a neighbouring town out of bounds to his men. A short time later, town shopkeepers appealed to him to place the town within bounds again because they were losing business.

During the Occupation, the Military Police took girls known to be prostitutes to hospitals for medical examination. If they were found diseased, they were detained for treatment.

Since the end of the Occupation, the Military Police have had no power over civilians, and girls have flocked especially to camps for men on leave from Korea.

Occasional raids by Japanese police have not diminished their numbers.

At Kure, the British Commonwealth base, the military authorities became alarmed at the end of last Summer when the incidence of disease began to increase.

Kure grew from a small fishing village to a naval base and a jumping off point for the Japanese army during Japan's "colonising" days.

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## New U.S. Envoy To India

Frankfurt, Mar. 12. Mr George Allen, United States Ambassador to Yugoslavia, left here by air today for Washington prior to taking up his new appointment as Ambassador to India.

"I am looking forward eagerly to my new job," he told Reuter before leaving. "I am fully aware of its tremendous significance."

Mr Allen's wife and seven-year-old son were with him.—Reuter.

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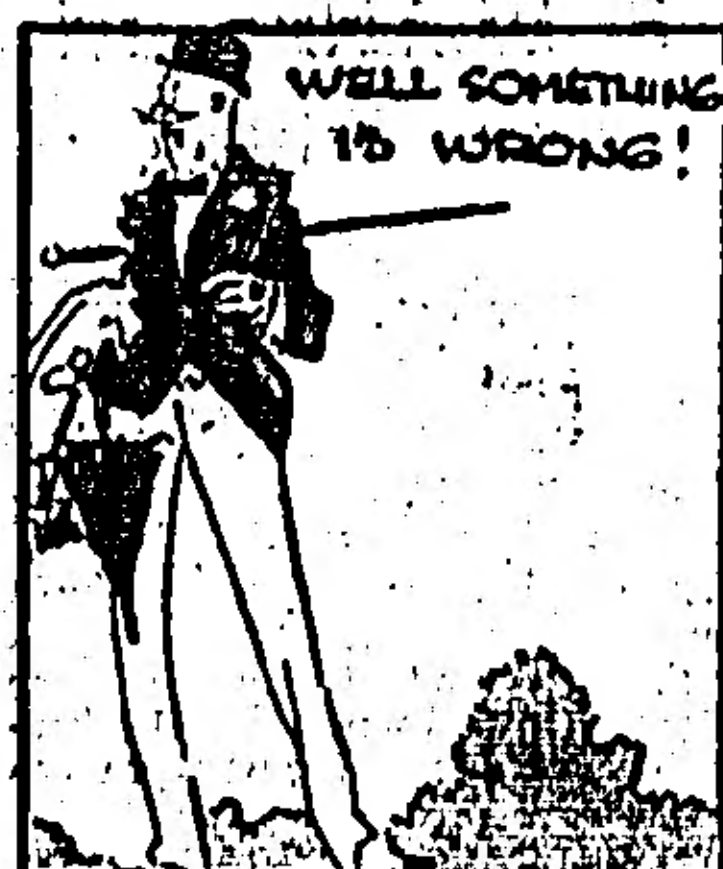
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# RUSSIA 'BAD NEIGHBOUR'

## Eden On Soviet Union Under Stalin Little Evidence Of Reds' Peaceful Intentions

New York, Mar. 12.

Mr Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, said here today that the Soviet Union under Stalin had deliberately cast away the opportunity of working for a peaceful world by adopting a bad neighbour policy.

### Valiant Bombers For RAF Next Year

London, Mar. 12.

Mr George Ward, Under-Secretary for Air, said today that the Valiant, Britain's first four-jet atom bomber, is expected to go into service with the Royal Air Force next year.

He told the House of Commons this in asking for approval of the Air Force Estimates for the coming year of £498,000,000—an increase of about £50,000,000 over the current year.

Intended as the backbone of the British long-range bomber force, the Valiant is said to be faster than the 500 miles an hour medium jet bomber, the Canberra, and greatly superior in range and the load it can carry.

A Valiant bomber has been entered for the Britain-New Zealand air race next October. Mr Ward said the Air Force had decided to order a transport version of the Valiant. This aircraft, he added, might well prove to be of revolutionary importance because of its outstanding performance and economy of operation.

Mr Ward said two prototype bombers of exceptionally advanced design, the Avro Vulcan and the Handley-Page Victor, were undergoing trials, but their performance was so outstanding and their importance to the R.A.F. so great that orders had already been placed for both.

Mr Ward said that at present the R.A.F. still had no swept-back wing fighters in service apart from American and Canadian-built Sabres now being delivered.

The Air Force intended to form its first squadrons of British swept-back wing fighters towards the end of the year. Another modern type, the Hunter, would follow.

"We are convinced these aircraft are the finest day fighters in the world," he said.—Reuter.

He told a Foreign Policy Association dinner he could not forecast the effect of Stalin's death. He gave the 1,300 guests what he said was a review of British foreign policy since he last addressed an American audience a little more than a year ago.

Since then, Mr Eden said, there had been little advance towards settling the issues between East and West and none had been settled.

The Korean war continued and there had been little sign of willingness by the Soviet Union to try to reduce tension. But, he said, it should not be forgotten that since the United Nations took up arms to repel aggression in Korea, there had been no further move of that kind against the free world.

"There has been a certain respect for the growing strength and unity of the Western nations and for their evident determination to defend themselves."

"And now there has been a change of ruler in the Soviet Union. I will not pretend to you that I can forecast what effect the death of Stalin may have."

### Egyptian Complaint Against West

United Nations, Mar. 12. Egypt charged today that Western support for the "puppet State" of Israel is sacrificing the interests of Egypt as well as peace in the Near East.

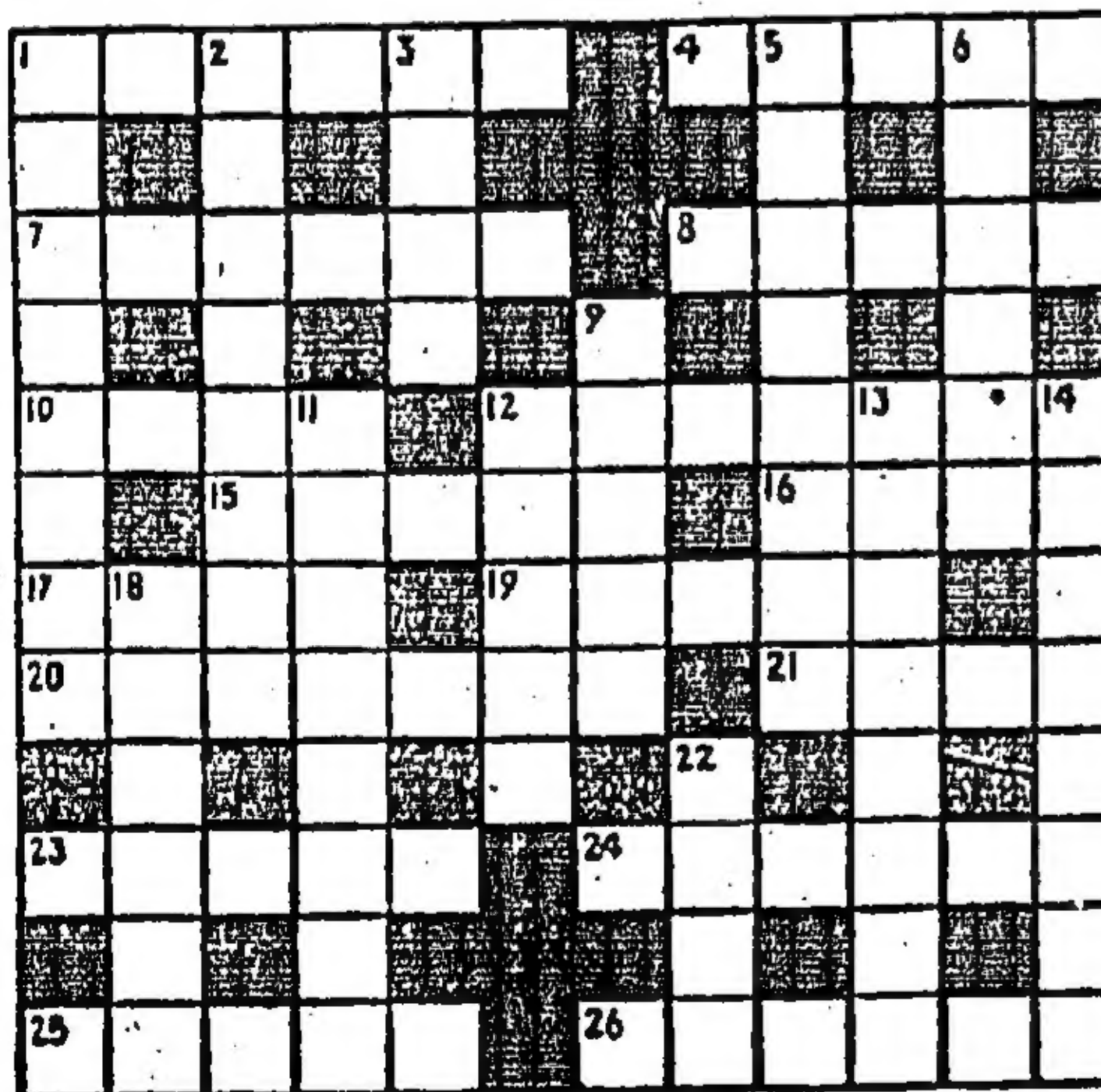
Egypt's chief United Nations delegate, Elde Abdel Bazek, said in a hastily convened Press conference that Egypt is suffering from an arms embargo imposed upon it to "benefit Israel which continues its propaganda through pro-Zionist newspapers to receive more military and economic aid."

Bazek called the conference to answer charges voiced on Wednesday in the British House of Commons by the Secretary of State, Mr Selwyn Lloyd, blaming the Egyptian Premier, Mohammed Naguib, for conducting "diplomacy by statements to the Press."

General Naguib had said in a Cairo Press statement that Britain is violating the Sudan agreement and that there should be unconditional evacuation of British troops from the Suez Canal Zone.

Mr Lloyd refuted the violation charge.—United Press.

### A British Crossword Puzzle



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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>ACROSS</b>            | <b>DOWN</b>               |
| 1 Groove (6).            | 1 Intimate (8).           |
| 2 Twenty (5).            | 2 Breathes (8).           |
| 3 Get the better of (6). | 3 Frank (4).              |
| 4 Crash (5).             | 4 Makes up (8).           |
| 5 Den (4).               | 5 Slice of bacon (6).     |
| 6 Get better (7).        | 6 Grunted (5).            |
| 7 Mad (5).               | 7 Emits (8).              |
| 8 Withered (4).          | 8 Added clause (5).       |
| 9 Hindered (5).          | 9 Perpendicular (8).      |
| 10 Dwelt (7).            | 10 Answers (8).           |
| 11 Arrest (4).           | 11 Condiment (6).         |
| 12 Short gaiters (5).    | 12 Two, not only one (4). |
| 13 Bird (6).             |                           |
| 14 Very stupid (5).      |                           |
| 15 Bombs (6).            |                           |

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 3 Soljourns, 8 Cuckoo, 9 Listened, 11 Animates, 12 Mero, 13 Topid, 18 Share, 19 Look, 22 Passport, 24 Condole, 25 Nectar, 26 Dissents. Down: 1 Scrap, 2 Astir, 3 Soluces, 4 Onda, 5 Oaks, 6 Rinsed, 7 Budden, 10 Sepia, 14 Phila, 15 Drenches, 16 Placid, 17 Tennis, 20 Booby, 21 Story, 22 Pose, 23 Sent.

### Parachutist Embraced



### NEW JUMP RECORD

A new world record for parachute jumping was established at the Rome military airport of Guidonia by Sauro Rinaldi, an Italian Air Force private. Rinaldi baled out of the plane at a height of 27,550 feet and opened his parachute when 820 feet from the ground. Umpires of the International Air Federation watched and checked the performance. The previous record was held by Frenchwoman Monique La Roche, with 13,780 feet. Where Rinaldi baled out the temperature was 40 degrees Fahrenheit below zero. Two minutes, 10 seconds later he found on the ground the pleasing temperature of 68 degrees.—London Express.

### Hunting For Nazi Leader

Bonn, Mar. 12. French officials confirmed today that the French High Commissioner has asked United States authorities to help in the search for former SS General Bernhard Lammerding. Lammerding, Commander of the German SS Division "Das Reich," was sentenced to death by a military tribunal at Bordeaux. Lammerding vanished earlier this year from his Düsseldorf home. French authorities have already asked British authorities in Germany to look for and extradite Lammerding who is wanted in connection with the execution of 99 people at Tulle, France in 1944.—Reuter.

London, Mar. 12. British trains will run faster at Cancellation time in June, the Railway Executive announced today. On some of the routes a maximum speed of 90 miles an hour will be permitted. A new train to be called "the Elizabethan" will run the 393 miles from London to Edinburgh non-stop at an average speed of 58 miles an hour.—Reuter.

### Veterans To Write To Malenkov

Paris, Mar. 12. The World Veterans Federation is to send a personal letter to the new Soviet Prime Minister, M. Georgi Malenkov, asking for an account of more than a million prisoners of war still in captivity on Russian soil.

Mr Elliot Newcomb, the Federation's Secretary-General, told a Press conference here today the request would be made "because reports indicated that the new rulers of Russia might entertain it more favourably than the former ones."

He added that 370,000 Japanese, 280,000 Germans, 63,000 Italians, 12,000 Frenchmen, 5,000 Austrians, 1,000 Spaniards and 200 Dutchmen, Rumanians and Hungarians were among the missing.—Reuter.

### To Advise On Racial Issue

Durban, Mar. 12. The Durban City Council has decided to form an Indian and Coloured Affairs Advisory Committee to promote co-operation and understanding between racial groups. It will make recommendations to the Council on problems affecting the city's Indian and Coloured communities.—Reuter.

### Narriman & Mother In Switzerland

Zurich, Mar. 12.

Ex-queen Narriman of Egypt arrived here tonight by air from Rome and later left for Lausanne for "a rest and cure." She was accompanied by her mother. Narriman's husband, ex-king Farouk, and their 14-month-old son, Fuad II, remained at their villa near Rome.

In Rome, Farouk in a statement denied that he had agreed to divorce his wife "only considering that she should leave Italy, this generously hospitable land."

It was issued by his Italian lawyer. He said ex-queen Narriman's "decision to go away, ably abetted by her mother, who was obviously in touch with Egyptian political elements, is part of the harvest of propaganda by the enemies of the Egyptian Royal family."

The statement continued: "King Farouk, while facing the future with complete confidence in God's justice, has bowed graciously to his will." The statement said that Narriman was "perhaps tired of a life of exile, despite the care of illustrious Italian and Swiss doctors."

Farouk's advocates said that Egypt's 14-month-old King Fuad would remain in Rome with his father. He said "under Mohammedan law the boy must remain with his parents. If his mother chooses to go away for a while, the boy naturally stays with his father. It would perhaps be different in case of a divorce, but there is no question of divorce."

The lawyer denied reports that Farouk had planned to leave Rome shortly. People in close touch with the Farouk household claimed tonight that only Farouk's desire to retain custody of the child had averted a divorce. They said the ex-king feared he would lose custody of his son if the marriage was formally broken.

The same sources said the custody of the child was "the last ace left in Farouk's hand" and he would put up a bitter fight not to lose the child. But it was added that Farouk had several times admitted to intimates that he "doubts very much" whether his son will ever take his place on the throne of Egypt.

A spokesman for Farouk specifically denied today that Narriman was expecting a second child and that she was about to visit a gynecologist.—Reuter.

# North Atlantic Pact Nations To Increase Spending On Defence

Paris, Mar. 12.

North Atlantic Treaty Organisation members are spending almost \$9,000,000,000 (about £3,140,000,000) more on defence for the 1952-53 financial year than during the previous 12 months, the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) announced here tonight.

Figures for 13 of NATO's 14 members — Iceland has no defence budget — show an increase in every case on last year's spending which was itself far higher than in the year before.

The total for the current year, which ends in June, is \$63,465,220,000 (about £22,640,000,000).

Last year's expenditure was \$54,564,000,000 (about £19,500,000,000).

The figures also include national defence expenditure for non-NATO services.

But American expenditure—the highest on the list with \$49,500,000,000 (about £17,620,000,000)—does not include economic aid or defence support which for 1952-53 is estimated at about \$1,000,000,000 (about £360,000,000) for NATO countries.

The American figure is an increase of more than \$6,000,000,000 (about £2,160,000,000) on the previous annual expenditure.

Britain is the second highest spender with \$4,955,000,000 (about £1,700,000,000)—an increase of \$900,000,000 (about £315,000,000) over the 1951-52 figure.

France follows Britain with \$4,047,020,000 (about £1,456,700,000).—Reuter.

### LORD ISMAY'S VIEWS

Washington, Mar. 12. Lord Ismay, British Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, said today that the attacks over Germany on United States and British planes were "individual incidents" and could not be regarded as armed attacks requiring joint North Atlantic Treaty action.

He was asked at a luncheon meeting of the National Press Club whether the attacks on the United States and British planes were the kind of "armed attack" which would be regarded as an act of war calling for joint action by the North Atlantic powers.

He replied in the negative but added that "if these attacks went on the governments would have to think again." Earlier, Lord Ismay had reported that Western Europe now had about 3,300,000 men under arms and would have still greater defensive strength by the end of this year.

### Butler In Canada

Ottawa, Mar. 12. Mr R. A. Butler, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, arrived here today from New York for his official visit to Canada. He described his Washington talks as very successful.

Mr Butler, here to inform the Canadian Government of his discussions with the new United States administration, said that Anglo-American objectives were identical in many economic and foreign affairs fields.

Mr Butler said he had placed before the United States Government the Commonwealth economic plan developed at the London conference last December and that American officials were now studying these suggestions and ideas for widening trade.—Reuter.

the margin of Western European supremacy. Through the combined efforts of European production and shipments from the United States, he said, the air forces of Western Europe would be equipped with more than 4,000 planes by the end of this year. This would be more than double the strength at the beginning of 1952 and most of the planes would be modern jets. Lord Ismay said that whether a new world war would come depended primarily on what the Atlantic Allies did or failed to do. The cost of preventing such a war would be heavy on the taxpayers of Europe and the United States.—Reuter.



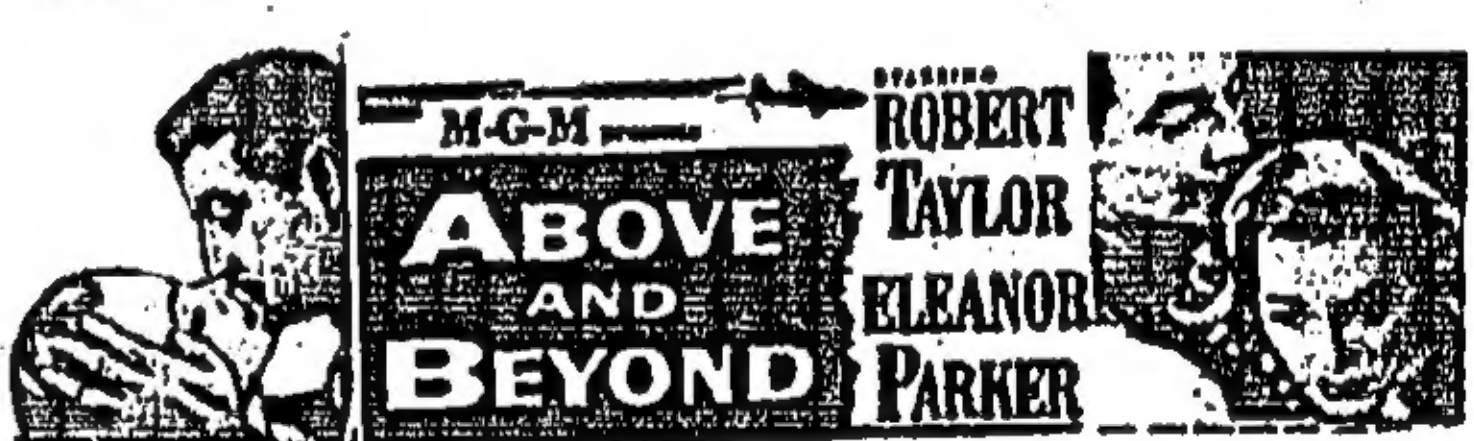
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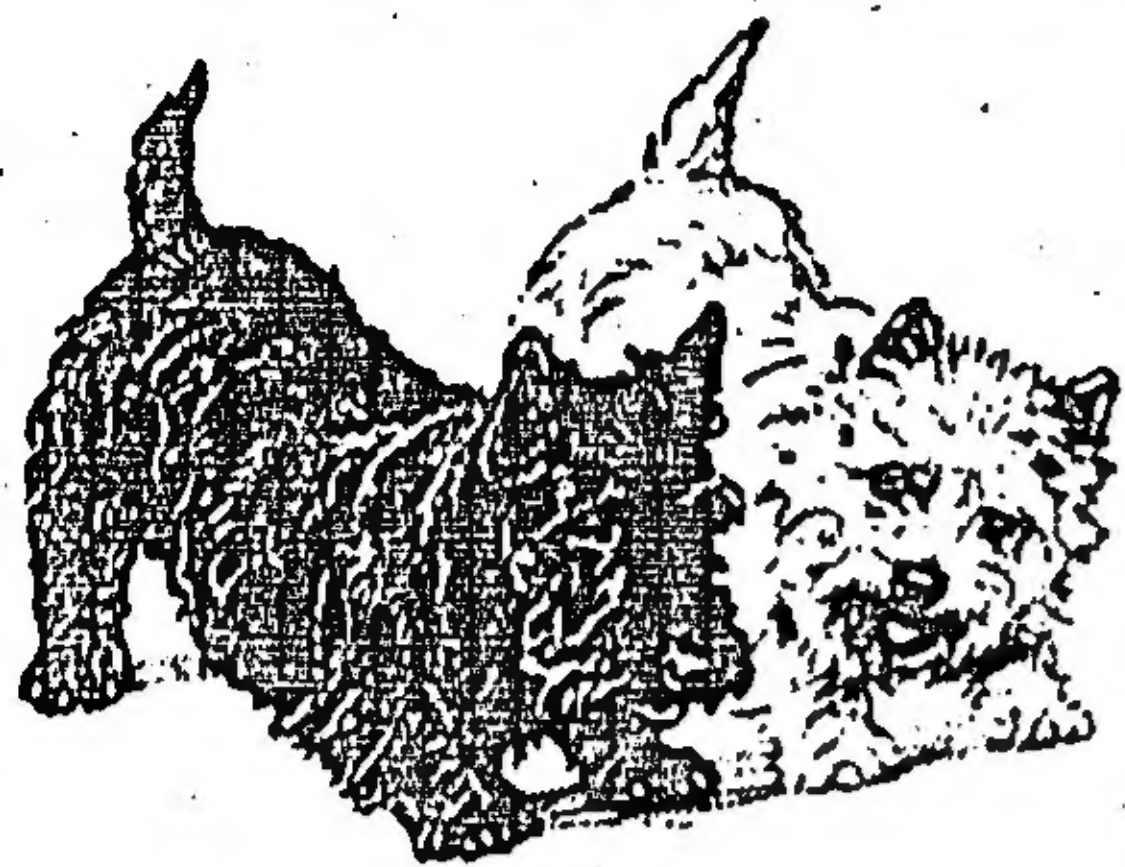
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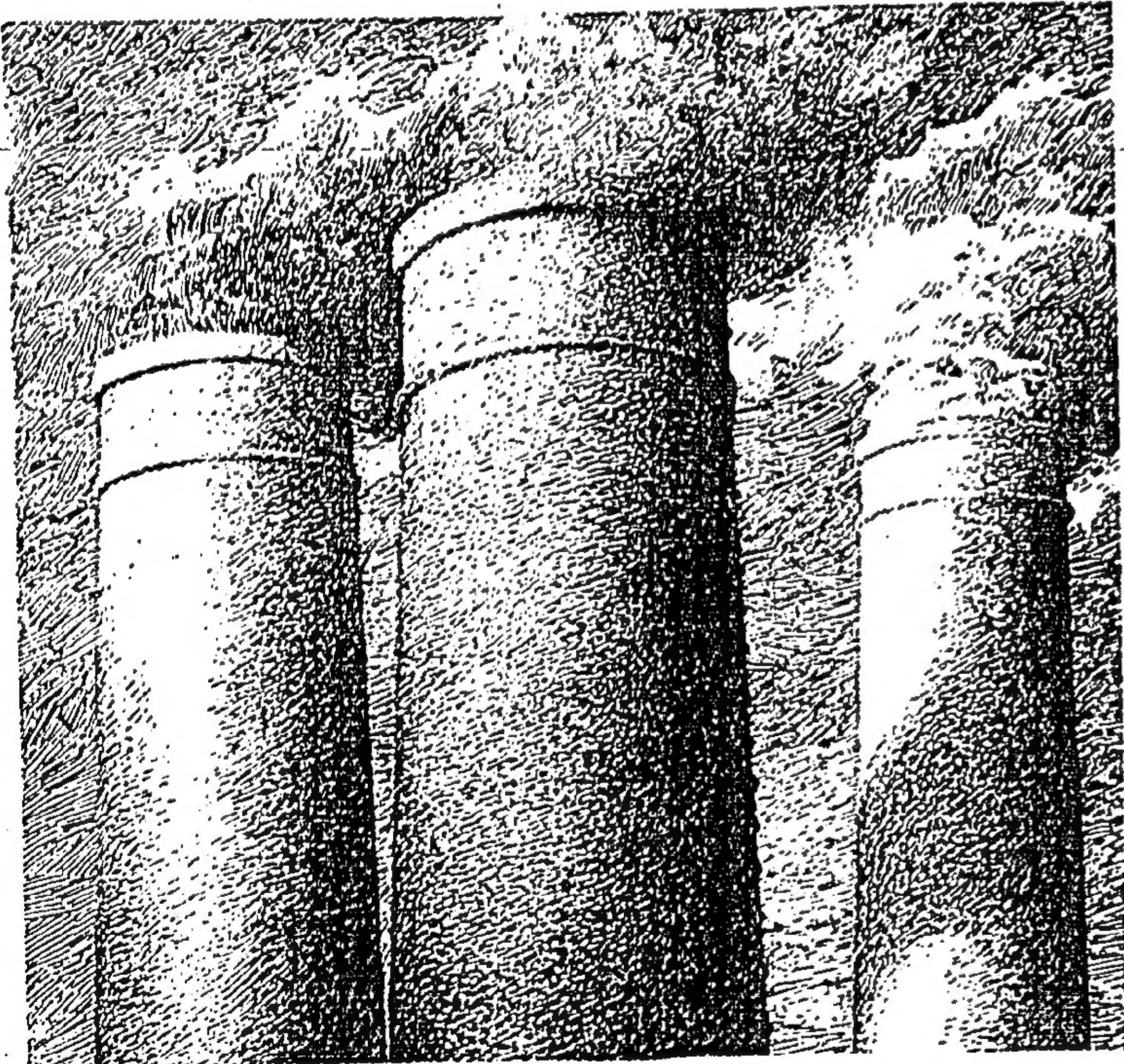
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# The last chapter in the story of the man who said: 'They can't hang ME' A SHOT—SO THIS WAS THE MASTER SPY

The serial was written by

**LEONARD MOSLEY**

LAST NIGHT Ralph Brown, of Scotland Yard, wrote his last report on the case of Robert Pitt and the master-spy known as Leonidas. Pitt under death sentence for killing a Soho girl, tries to bargain for his life by offering to reveal the identity of Leonidas. But Brown finds that Leonidas is planning to leave Britain by air with a radio set for an underground movement in Eastern Europe. He tries a Gieger counter on the set and finds a reaction. Can it be that the missing atom device is hidden inside?

THE Home Secretary was graceful. "I have made up my mind," he said.

"It doesn't matter whether we catch Leonidas or not, I am not going to interfere with the execution of Robert Isaac Pitt at Fentonville tomorrow morning."

"At nine o'clock he hangs for murder. There will be no reprieve and no stay of execution."

"I'm glad to hear you say it, sir," I told him. And glad was the way I felt. I knew what this could mean—that when Pitt died a secret precious to the safety of Britain would die with him.

But the Home Secretary's decision upheld my pride in the fundamental principles upon which our system works. No matter who you are or what you have to sell, you cannot make a bargain with the Law. And, when you have been a party to a brutal murder, the Law says that you will hang.

I LEFT the Home Office and drove straight to Fentonville to tell Pitt the news. No use keeping the poor devil in suspense any longer. He took one look at my face as I came into his cell and he guessed.

"So you're going to hang me," he said. "You fool! You'll never find Leonidas without my help. Before they take me out there tomorrow morning I'm going to pray for once in my life—I'm going to pray that you never find him and that, through his work, this country will one day be blown to pieces!"

"I can't force you to tell us anything," I replied. "But I shall come back tonight for the last time just in case you change your mind."

From Fentonville Gaol I drove back to the Yard, picked up Entwistle and the radio set we had taken from the offices of the

Anglo-Slav Freedom League, and we set off for the atom research centre.

RIDDELL, the security officer, Sir Robert Rosper, and Robinson-Heaton, the two top scientists, were waiting for us in the main laboratory. We put the set on a bench, and Entwistle started to unwrap it as I rapidly sketched in the background of how it had been found. All three of them looked grim and grave in the knowledge that someone on the staff of this station had stolen what was inside that set—and was a traitor and a thief.

"Will you help me open it, Robbie?" asked Sir Robert of Robinson-Heaton. He indicated Entwistle and me: "I think these two had better be present. They'll need protective clothing."

Robinson-Heaton's and brown eyes stared at me out of a pale, gentle face. "I'll go and make arrangements," he said, softly, and went out of the laboratory.

We waited for him. We waited a long time, but he did not come back. And all of a sudden, the significance of his long absence hit me like a blow. "Quick," I shouted. "Where's his office? Come on, Ridgell, get a move on!"

I followed the wing-commander as he raced across the laboratory and down the corridor to Robinson-Heaton's office, but seconds before we got there we heard the shot.

When we got inside, the scientist was slumped on the floor dead. And on the desk in front of him was a note. It was short and it looked as if it had been written in a hurry, but it told me most of what I wanted to know.

"The moment I saw the radio set I realised that everything was over," Robinson-Heaton had written. "For when it is opened not only will you find a sample of the Monte Bello bomb and a plan of the new cartridge, but also a letter from me. It is addressed to my daughter, my beloved Eve, for, yes, she is alive and not dead, as everyone thought."

"She was due to be executed in the Czech purge after Gottwald took over, but at the last moment the Russians discovered her relationship with me—and for the last two years I have been buying her life by sending our atomic secrets to the U.S.S.R."

"It was Robert Pitt, who has been a Red agent for years, who first brought me the news about Eve and then blackmailed me into working with him. He knew that even before Eve married a Czech I had been interested in Slav empires in London and was a member of the Anglo-Slav Freedom League."

"The first thing he made me do, in order to get Eve out of prison in Prague, was turn over the names of all our underground resistance members behind the Iron Curtain."

"For the past year every anti-Red agent the League has dropped in Eastern Europe has taken secret messages from me."

hidden in his radio set or documents. "The Communists simply took over the underground movement, codes and everything, so that the League in London never suspected that anything was wrong—and that their agents were dropping into enemy hands. The poor fools went on sending brave young men to certain death."

"I am ashamed of what I have done. I know such treachery cannot be excused. I can only say in explanation that I loved my daughter very dearly. Pray God that, now that I am no longer useful to them, they will show her a little mercy and let her go free."

Underneath was the signature: "Edward Robinson-Heaton, otherwise known as Leonidas."

I GOT back to the Yard and told them to let Peter Rashki go free. "But stop playing around with resistance movements," I warned him. "It's meekness like your Freedom League that get countries involved in wars. If you want to be an underground hero, then go and do it somewhere else where they like that kind of cancer—and stop embarrassing the country which has given you safety and a home."

He shook me by the hand and went down the stairs. When I looked through the window, I saw that Antonia Pitt's car was waiting for him. A date at Fentonville....

It was almost midnight when I went into the condemned cell to see Robert Pitt for the last time. My estimation of the slithering strength of the sinister streak of warped courage that was inside this man was borne out by his demeanour. He was grim but calm in the shadow of

the gallows, only nine hours away now.

I told him we had found Leonidas, and there was an expression of despair on his face when he realised that his last hope had gone. But only for a moment and then he was in control again.

"Tell me one thing," I said to him. "You did kill Yvette Saunders, didn't you? Why did you do it?"

HE allowed himself a bitter smile. "It was essential that I shouldn't be connected with the League, so I used Yvette as a letter box—she would take messages from me through the League to Robinson-Heaton, and vice versa. That made sure that Robinson-Heaton was never connected with me. She knew something fishy was going on, but she didn't object until she discovered by accident that I was a Communist. It may sound ironical, my dear inspector, but it seems that Yvette was a staunch anti-Red. She threatened not only to tell the League about me but also to inform the police. So, when we had coffee together towards the end of our usual Friday evening, I put strychnine in her cup."

He added: "I should never have been discovered either if someone hadn't been spying on me, and rushed to a telephone and dialled 999. Did you ever discover who it was, inspector?"

"No, Mr Pitt," I said, gravely.

THE END

I DIDN'T like to tell a man only nine hours away from a hanging that it was his own wife—visiting the League offices to meet Peter Rashki—who had seen him go to Yvette Saunders' flat and had rushed down to a telephone and dialled the police.

Yes, Antonia Pitt betrayed her husband to the police. And the irony of it is this: She didn't even know he was murdering Yvette Saunders. She merely thought it would be a convenient way of establishing the fact, for the divorce she was planning, that Robert Pitt was being unfaithful to her!

## THE FAIRBANKSES OF SOUTH KENSINGTON

By Francis Martin

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS, junior, a lean and lightly-wrinkled 43-year-old, with a touch of the strapping about him still, has been adroitly making the world aware of—Douglas Fairbanks, junior, ever since he followed his father into films at the age of 13, taking with him a rather less brassy version of his father's famous smile.

His present phase, which began five years ago, is that of the lion-hunting English socialite, with 28, The Boltons, South Kensington, a property he bought from the Duke of Leeds, as his base, the sky as ambition's limit and wife Mary as his principal second and aide.

Mrs Douglas Fairbanks is small and shapely, with a wide, bright smile and soft eyes.

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an 'eminent hostess' really," she protests.

We are left to infer that social targets are exclusively her husband's business, Mrs Fairbanks's main concern being happy-home-running, with a thought for charity causes as well.

A quiet start

ALTHOUGH her career has had its startling moments, nothing could have been more quiet and homey than its beginning. Mary Elizabeth Epling, as she once was, had a small-town upbringing, at Bluefield, West Virginia.

Her father, Giles Epling, was a dentist, the Epling home comfortable but unassuming.

From a Philadelphia finishing school, Mary went to Cambridge, Massachusetts, and became student-teacher in a kindergarten. She chose this job, as her mother said at the time, because she loved children.

But the kindergarten was not far from Harvard University. And among the first-year students at Harvard was a gilded 20-year-old, George Huntington Hartford, heir to the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company's empire, a £70,000,000 chain of grocery stores.

They 'disapproved'

MARY and George met, fell in love and married at Covington, Virginia, so secretly that the news did not make the front pages for five months.

Both overstated their ages, Mary, then 18, giving hers as 20, George his as 21 instead of 20.

There was no glee under the Epling roof, Giles Epling and his wife flatly disapproved of the marriage. As Mrs Epling puts it, they didn't want their daughter to marry a "wild society playboy," however wealthy.

An externally glittering marriage lasted eight years. Mary dropped her teaching and blossomed as a socialite, tried to be a playgirl, also and did not greatly care for it. As compared with Hartford, she had a fundamentally serious nature, her friends explained.

In the spring of 1929 she got a divorce in out-of-the-way Okechobee, Florida, where such things are handled, with minimum publicity, on grounds of incompatibility and mental cruelty.

Under the divorce settlement, Hartford paid her a million and a half dollars, equal to £320,000 then, £535,000 now. Within a month she married Douglas Fairbanks, junior, whom she had met at a Merle Oberon party 13 months before. Less than a year later, Fairbanks inherited 600,000 dollars (£210,000 today) from his father's estate.

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at Elstree is three 20-minute fiction films per fortnight. In some of them he commands a renowned New York beer.

He is high in the good books of his mother-in-law, Mrs Epling, widow since 1933, who has stayed both at The Boltons and at the Fairbankses' California home, Pacific Palisades, which Mary decorated in Italian style. Mrs Epling testifies that the marriage is a great success, and Douglas a "good, sweet boy."

In 20 years, Mary Fairbanks, like her husband, has come quite a way. Sometimes, perhaps, she thinks back to days when, as Mrs Hartford, she played baseball in a society girls' team at Newport, Rhode Island, and was photographed watching polo, an even more important thing than playing it, at the fashionable Gulf Stream Club. Life is more onerous now.

Three marriages

FAIRBANKS, senior, had three marriages, two divorces. His third wife has successfully been actress Sylvia Hawkes, Lady Ashley (divorced), Mrs Fairbanks (widowed), Lady Stanley of Alderley (divorced), and Mrs Clark Gable.

As Mrs Fairbanks, widow, she came into a million dollars under her husband's will. As Mrs Gable, petitioner, she obtained a divorce from her husband last April and with it a tenth of his income for one year and seven percent for four years. Since December she has been on an extended visit to London, making the Ritz her headquarters.

Douglas, junior, has himself been to the altar twice. His first wife was Joan Crawford, whose film earnings reached £1,500 a week in the early 'thirties, outstripping her husband's in the same field. Their "perfect marriage," as Hollywood called it, was dissolved after four years, in 1933, when Joan accused her husband of grievous cruelty. She has since been the wife of Franchot Tone and Philip Terry.

Shrewdness, charm

MARY FAIRBANKS'S second marriage gives her fundamentally serious nature solid achievements to contemplate.

Her husband's shrewdness and charm have been opening august doors to him ever since the late 'thirties, when, between bouts of film-making, he began to hobnob respectfully with President Roosevelt and the White House inner ring.

His inherited fortune did not turn him into an idler. In 1948 his U.S. film interests earned him nearly £34,000. At present he is shooting and acting in TV "commercials" for export to America. His output schedule

the gallows, only nine hours away now.

I told him we had found Leonidas, and there was an expression of despair on his face when he realised that his last hope had gone. But only for a moment and then he was in control again.

"Tell me one thing," I said to him. "You did kill Yvette Saunders, didn't you? Why did you do it?"

HE allowed himself a bitter smile. "It was essential that I shouldn't be connected with the League, so I used Yvette as a letter box—she would take messages from me through the League to Robinson-Heaton, and vice versa. That made sure that Robinson-Heaton was never connected with me. She knew something fishy was going on, but she didn't object until she discovered by accident that I was a Communist. It may sound ironical, my dear inspector, but it seems that Yvette was a staunch anti-Red. She threatened not only to tell the League about me but also to inform the police. So, when we had coffee together towards the end of our usual Friday evening, I put strychnine in her cup."

He added: "I should never have been discovered either if someone hadn't been spying on me, and rushed to a telephone and dialled 999. Did you ever discover who it was, inspector?"

"No, Mr Pitt," I said, gravely.

## Desgracia Rides The Old Trail

From  
James Cooper

New York. HOMBRES ain't so tough as they wuz, pardner, cut in the West.

Take the Wild West custom of gaol-busting (now a TV favourite) with cowboys riding through the night to rescue the hero, overpower the dishonest sheriff and leave him locked in his own cells.

It doesn't happen thataway any more in Tucson, New Mexico, where Kit Carson (1809-00) once trod and where Indians in their blankets still steal in from the pueblo along the Santa Fe and Chiricahua trails.

News from there is that four amigos of Conrado Apocoo decided to rescue him from the gaol at night but, Hollywood forgive them, they did so without firing a shot.

They merely broke the glass in the sheriff's office door, found the keys in his unlocked desk and flung open the door to freedom.

BUT not for Conrado.

The gaol was warm, the food was good, the sheriff kindly, and he was enjoying his first good night's sleep in weeks.

Not only did Conrado refuse to leave, but he phoned the gaoler and said: "You had better come down and lock your gaol up. The joint's wide open."

The gaoler came, the sheriff came. They relocked the gaol with the rescuers inside it for 30 days. And that, in their view and in their Spanish, is the biggest "desgracia" of all.

MR TRUMAN will have to pay about 425,000 dollars (£151,000) in taxes out of the 500,000 dollars (£178,000) it is said he will get for his memoirs from Life magazine.

That is because his own Administration passed what is called the Eisenhower Amendment after the then General Eisenhower was allowed to keep as a capital gain, 476,000 dollars (£170,000) out of the 650,000 dollars (£225,000) he was paid for his book, "Crusade in Europe."

NEW YORK is broke. It needs 175,000,000 dollars (£62,500,000) to balance its budget.

Now Mayor Vincent Impellitteri must find the money. Bus and subway fares, now at a flat rate of 10 cents will probably go up, and there is expected to be a city income tax on top of the present three percent sales tax.

ONE in 20 of New York's 8,000,000 is a Puerto Rican, a survey shows.

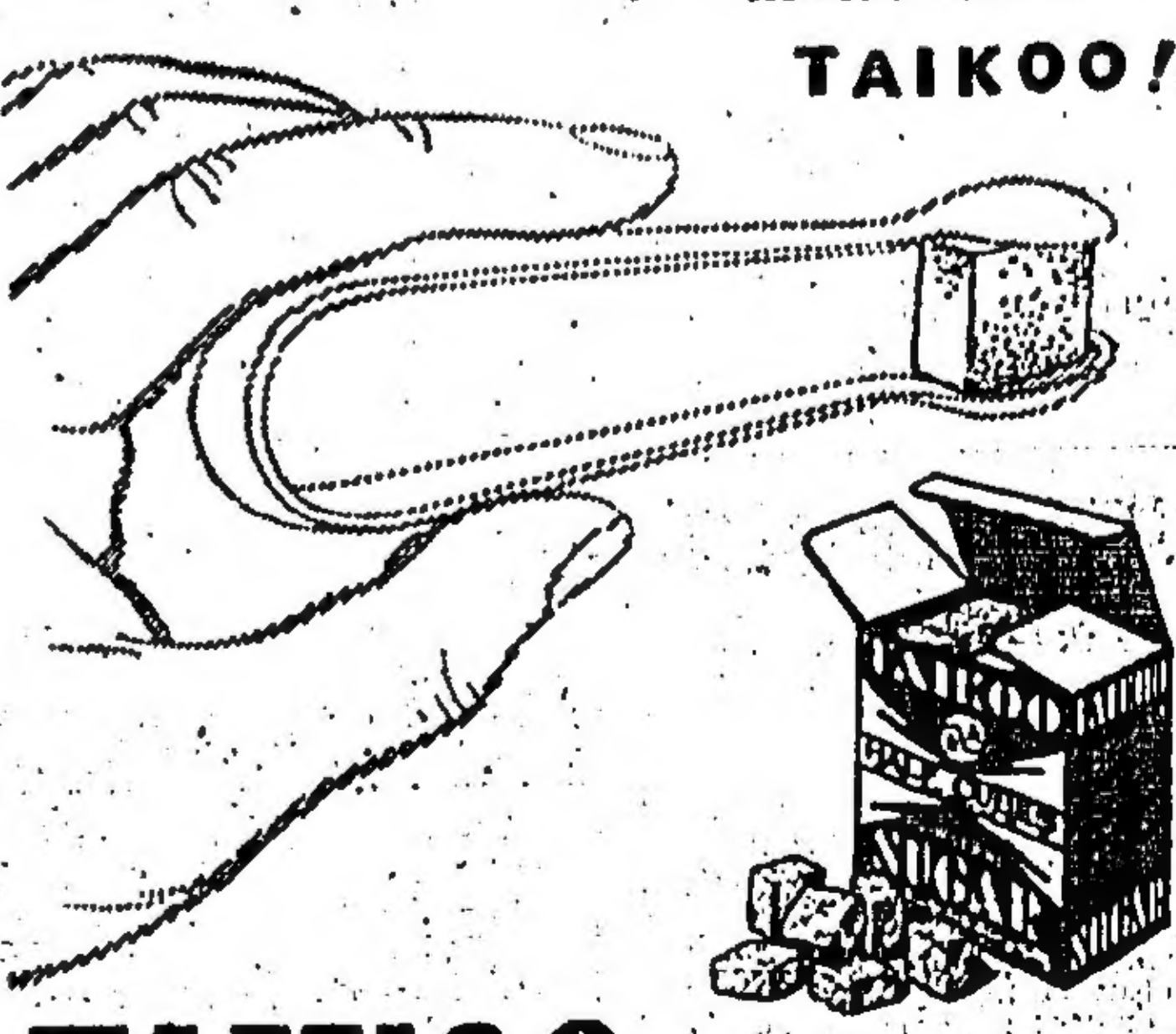
That is a spectacular 53 percent increase since the last census of April 1950. It means 140,000 have emigrated from America's overcrowded tropic isle in the last three years, creating an equally overcrowded Spanish Harlem.

MARGARET TRUMAN, now 29, is keeping her apartment in New York, is continuing her concert and television appearances.

Politics? "Not at the moment." The Coronation? "Maybe, but only as a spectator in the street."

Marriage? "Not tomorrow or the next day or the day after, but I hope it will not be years."

"One Lump-or Two?"  
... make sure it's  
TAIKOO!



**TAIKOO  
SUGAR**  
Half Cubes  
obtainable from  
all shops and stores.





"I'll tell you whether I still love you, when I find out what you're lending up to."

## • BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

IT is being said that the time saved by air-travel is lost in the process of getting passengers to and from airports. The remedy is simple. We must at once build a series of airport dormitory towns, so that all who are in a hurry can live on the spot. Grumblers are already pointing out that when hoverplanes are a practical means of transport, all those passengers will still have the problem of getting from the stopping-places to their destinations. Only when a gadget has been invented to eject them through an open window into a room will they feel satisfied that they are not losing time. And even then there will be complaints that the gadget deposits some of them in the wrong part of the room.

### Nothing to do with me

SOME thoughts, my dear Wordsworth, do lie too deep even for tears of laughter. With a feeling of helpless bewilderment, I have just read that they called her a woman when she came to London in 1932 with the slogan "Trousers for Women."

### Hints for food-throwing

A "FOOD-EXPERT" has been saying that good food eases the nerves and puts the eater in a happy and easy-going frame of mind.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

BORN today, you men and women are very likely to make quite different uses of the basic talents which you have been given upon you. You men are quiet, reverent and steady workers in whatever project you undertake. You might become a successful scientist, statesman or writer on philosophical subjects. You women have a very thoughtful, careful patience which makes it easy for you to solve perplexing problems with great ease. You set a goal and then move steadily toward it, never permitting opposition or upsets to disturb you very much. You have a real gift for speaking in public and know how to hold the attention of your audience even when discussing essentially dull matters. You know how to make them interested.

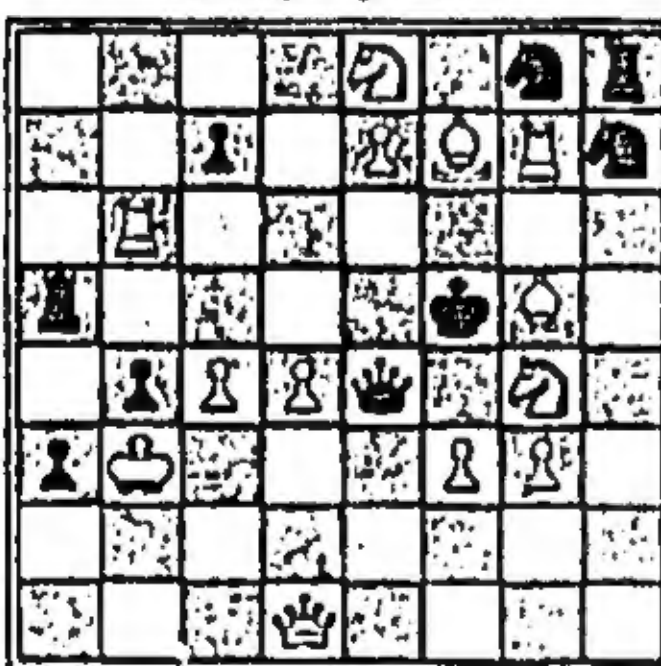
You women, on the other hand, are more gay and are much less careful about detail work. You make fine

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

PIECES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20) — Stick fairly closely to routine and don't let important things slip first, before going on to something else.  
ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20) — If this is one of those bright spring days, make it a point to get into the bright outdoors.  
TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21) — Rely upon past experience to aid you in solving the present problem. Follow past successful procedures.  
GEMINI (May 22-June 21) — Be kindly toward rather than overly critical. A careless mistake should be forgiven this time.  
CANCER (June 22-July 23) — Sometimes being a stern disciplinarian can do more good than good. Make suggestions rather than give orders.  
LEO (July 24-Aug. 23) — If you have been waiting for a good time to start a new job, then this is just the day for it.  
VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) — Seek entertainment with a group of congenial friends and it will relax meaning tensions.  
LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) — This is a fine time to give a party if you have been accepting invitations from others lately.  
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23) — Don't put too much faith in fancy promises. Test them all carefully before depending upon them.  
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23) — Sidelap getting involved in somebody else's troubles. You may have plenty of your own today!

## CHESS PROBLEM

By P. BARBON  
Black, 9 pieces.



White, 13 pieces.  
White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:  
1. Kt-K4; threat. 2. P-B6.  
Kt-Q5; 2. Kt-Kt5; 1.  
R-Q5. R-KB1, KtKt; 2.  
Kt-R5.

## INTELLIGENCE TEST

### CAR MEETS MAN

by T. O. HARE

My friend Rabbitt (who lives in the country) caught an earlier train home than usual yesterday. But yesterday he set out on foot to meet it and so reached home 12 minutes earlier than he had waited at the station. The car travels at a uniform speed which is five times Rabbitt's speed on foot. Rabbitt reached home just as it was striking six. At what time would he have reached home, if his car, for some reason, had met him at the station?

(Solution on Page 10)

## DUMB-BELLS

HAVE YOU ANYTHING TO DECLARE?

YES! I DECLARE I WOULDN'T GO TO HELL IF I HAD A KNOWN HOW ROUGH THE OCEAN WAS!

CUSTOMS

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## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Figuring Right Play Isn't Difficult Here

NORTH		28	
♠ 54			
♥ J93			
♦ A1054			
♣ AQ54			
WEST		EAST	
♠ A109763		♠ Q83	
♥ 52		♥ 108	
♦ J87		♦ Q932	
♣ 97		♣ J1083	
SOUTH (D)			
♥ KJ			
♦ AKQ764			
♥ K6			
♣ K62			
North-South vul.			
South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	Pass
5♥	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♥	Pass	6♥	Pass
Opening lead—♥5			

By OSWALD JACOBY

A VERY interesting bridge book, "More Bridge Quizzes," has just been sent to me by its English author, Ewart Kempson. In the two hundred bridge hands of the book you see only your own hand and the dummy.

You may be told how the first two or three tricks went, and then you are asked to plan the rest of the hand.

For today's hand I have selected one of the most interesting problems in Kempson's collection and have filled in the defending hands. The question is how to play the hand in such a way as to give yourself the best chance for your slam contract.

There is no problem at all if you look at the East-West cards. You simply lead a spade from dummy and finesse the jack from your own hand. Bridge is an easy game when you can see all the cards.

In actual play, however, this would be a poor way to plan the campaign. You would be making the slam on your ability to guess the cards which no one else could see. If West had both the ace and queen of spades, the correct play is to run four rounds of trump at once, discarding a low spade from dummy. The purpose of the extra trumps is to put pressure on one opponent, give a careless defender a chance to make a mistake, or perhaps give the defenders a chance to signal, in which case you may profit by the information.

As it happens, East does feel the pucker. His only safe discards are two low spades.

Declarer next cashes the top diamond in the hope of setting up dummy's ten. When this maneuver fails, declarer runs three rounds of clubs, ending in dummy, hoping for a 3-2 break. If East had discarded a diamond, South can cover dummy's ten of diamonds or last club would become established for the twelfth trick.

Only after all else has failed does declarer lead a spade from dummy. And now there is no guesswork. East has only the singleton queen of spades left. When East plays his queen of spades, South can cover with the king and thus assure the slam.

Both of you are very attractive to the members of the opposite sex and will probably have more than one opportunity to wed. In fact, it is likely that you may wed more than once if you are not perfectly satisfied with your first choice!

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

South West North East

1 Heart Pass 1 Spade Pass

You, South, hold: Spades A-2, Hearts A-Q-J-8-3, Diamonds A-Q-5, Clubs K-Q-2. What do you do?

A—Bid two no-trump. You have 12 points, a high card and a strong heart suit. The question is whether to bid three hearts or two no-trump, and the no-trump bid is a better description of your balanced distribution and strength in the unbid suits.

## TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades A-2, Hearts A-Q-J-8-3, Diamonds A-Q-5, Clubs A-Q-J-3. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

## CROSSWORD

Across

1. Could be a top. (9)

2. Severe renter art. (5)

3. Number short of the ideal. (4)

4. Hard set. (5) 12. Tasty. (9)

5. Repeatedly followed. (5)

6. Real friend of the noble. (4)

7. Fit to the present age. (5)

8. Freshening place returns in colour. (4)

9. Has this command speed? (3)

10. This moth was an ear. (5)

11. One and all. (5)

12. Down

1. The unwritten laws of courtesy. (9)

2. Peculiar rum? (5)

3. Edition maybe. (5)

4. Talk you with. (5)

5. Kipling likened it to a diamond. (5)

6. And the extremities. (4)

7. Reared. (5) 8. Watchful. (4)

9. New British Dene the brown nag. (5)

10. Told of the alternative to a door. (5)

11. Artist in return for a feast. (9)

12. Form of bee. (5) 20. Fruit. (5)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle. Across:

1. Camera. 2. Homestead. 3. Rum. 4. Down. 5. Ruler. 6. To. 7. No. 8. Sleep. 9. Broom. 10. Cuckoo. 11. Amber. 12. Down. 13. Down. 14. Down. 15. Down. 16. Down. 17. Down. 18. Down. 19. Down. 20. Down.

Down:

1. Down. 2. Down. 3. Down. 4. Down. 5. Down. 6. Down. 7. Down. 8. Down. 9. Down. 10. Down. 11. Down. 12. Down. 13. Down. 14. Down. 15. Down. 16. Down. 17. Down. 18. Down. 19. Down. 20. Down.

Across:

## Beauty Contests

### Are Not For Him

By VERNON SCOTT

Hollywood. Judging beauty contests may be a fine way to spend an afternoon, but it can be murder, too. That's what handsome John Derek found out on a Florida vacation.

The actor, back in Hollywood to co-star with John Hodiak in "Mission Over Korea," swears never again to be hoodwinked into judging the relative merits of female attributes.

"If you want to stay popular with your feminine fans, don't judge beauty contests," warned Derek. "You can only gain a few friends while losing several thousand."

"Against my better judgment I was asked by the head of a Florida Chamber of Commerce to help judge an annual beauty pageant. I said 'no' about a dozen times, but finally the pressure was put on from all sides and I was trapped."

### The Loser—Derek

"We had about 100 girls to start off with—and at least 5,000 relatives rooting for them. We finally narrowed them down to a baker's dozen—and that's where I realised I'd made a big mistake."

"All those girls who were disqualified, their relatives and friends, gave me the icy stare. No fooling, even the Florida sun seemed to chill."

"I realised immediately that I just lost over 5,000 admission tickets."

"When the contest was over and the winner was chosen I ended up with a request for an autograph from her grandma and a barrage of questions from the new beauty queen as to her chances in Hollywood."

"Everybody else was unhappy and sore, except the Chamber of Commerce boys."

Derek, who prefers paying the name of the community forgotten, shook his head unhappily. "I guess that's the last time I'll ever spend a vacation in that town," he said.—United Press.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Willy Toad Has Two Talks

—One's Very Quick and the Other's Very Slow—

By MAX TRELL

WILLY TOAD met Knarf and Handi, the shrew-children with the turned-about names. After exchanging the time of day, and finding out how every one felt (everyone felt well, thank you), Willy said: "I paid a visit to the forest yesterday afternoon and had a quick talk with a slow animal and a slow talk with a quick animal. It was all very interesting."

Knarf and Handi both eagerly inquired what slow animal it was that Willy had a quick talk with, and what quick animal it was that he had a slow talk with. They had to wait patiently until Willy snapped at two flies and a mosquito because he was quite hungry and refused to talk until he had something in his tummy.

### The Slow Animal

"Well," Willy finally answered, "the slow animal was a snail. He was gliding along the ground, carrying his house on his back and with his head stuck out of the front door. He was moving at about an inch an hour. I hopped up quite close to him."

"Hi, snail!" I said.

"Hi, toad!" answered the snail.

"Then I hopped off," said Willy to Knarf and Handi. "That was the end of my quick talk with the slow animal."

"Now who was the quick animal you had the slow talk



## Spring in the Park has a hat show echo in London

BREATH of spring comes to London with the crocuses in the parks and the first flowered hats. In Paris a woman wears her spring hat almost as soon as Christmas bells cease pealing. In London she buys it in February and wears it the first week in March, in spite of icy winds, fur coats and even snow-boots.

London salons are gay with spring hat shows.

Mostly tiny and flat, they are worn straight on the head to flatter the short curly hair-styles. Earth shades are the basic colours, with bright notes of daffodil yellow, violet, and hyacinth blues and pinks.

There are few trimmings this season, effect being achieved by rich fabrics, but a number of hats are strewn with rose petals.

Veils are small, just covering the eyes.

Tinsel and eyelash straws are attractive for cocktail parties.

For the very young there are some pretty inexpensive styles in the shops. Peaked urchin caps and pillboxes in all colours and a pert version of the Gibson Girl boater.

Particularly charming are the baker-cap berets—worn pulled back off the face, down on to the nape of the neck.

### The hat war

THE restaurant hat has a new social standing. Two or three years ago many smart

London restaurants banned any form of hat from their dance floors.

Before the war hats were not even allowed to enter the portals of some expensive nightclubs. American gossip columnist, Hedda Hopper, noted for wearing fantastic hats, made front page news when the Savoy Hotel refused to allow her to join her party until she removed her headpiece.

The battle is now over. Restaurateurs no longer pretend to be experts on either fashion or etiquette.

Elegant women like the Duchess of Kent helped to break down the rule. Now evening caps of flowers, fruit, jewels, feathers and veiling bloom in nightspots.

### Coronation show

I HAVE been examining the collection of Coronation souvenirs now on show in the West End.

These are the souvenirs that the public will soon be able to

### THE COLUMN

#### OF NEWS

#### FOR WOMEN

by Eileen Ascroft

My verdict: Many of the souvenirs are beautiful or quaint; but a number look shoddy.

THE GOOD include pottery mugs, glass goblets, silver and pewter tankards, fascinating horse brasses and silk scarves. I liked the tin soldiers in ceremonial dress, just as they will appear in the Coronation procession.

THE BAD: Much of the inexpensive jewellery and trinkets, some gaudy trays and plaques, and dolls which bear little resemblance to the Queen.

### Heavyweight MPs

WHO holds the heavyweight title in the House of Commons?

Champion is Walter Fletcher (C., Bury and Radcliffe), who turns the scale about 18st, a close runner-up is 16st. 6lb. Malcolm McCordale (C., Epsom), around 17st.

Interesting fact is that the male heavyweights are nearly all Tories; heavy women come from the Socialist benches.

Mrs Bessie Bradnock (Soc., Liverpool Exchange) confesses: "For seven or eight years I have weighed between 14½ and 16st."

Bessie is fashion-conscious in spite of her 50lb. hip-line.

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### For hands

WORST beauty casualty a housewife has to face after a hard winter is her hands.

Recently I went to try a first-aid lemon oil treatment. In just under an hour it turned chapped, rough hands: smooth, white and soft.

But if you haven't time or money for a salon treatment try soaking your hands at bedtime in warm almond oil and wearing sleeping gloves.

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### Rupert and the Hazel Nut—26

As he is being put to bed Rupert tells Mrs. Bear all about his adventure. "It must have been Beppo who dropped that hazel nut near our apple tree after he stole the squirrel's store," he says, "but these wasn't a single nut left for you and those

bushes." Next morning he meets Bill as arranged in the village street. "I wonder which shop the old lady wants us to visit," queries the little badger. "Oh look, there she is by the fruit shop. We mustn't keep her waiting." And they run to join her.

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### A new "Adventure"—

RUPERT and the ROCKING HORSE

\$1.

A navy blue linen suit for spring, by Maud. Slender, slope-shouldered, and very hip-waisted, the collars and revers are made of crisp white flange.

Illustration of a woman in a navy blue linen suit, standing and looking to the side.



# NIGERIAN IS AFTER THE CARRUTHERS-TOWEEL BANTAM TITLE MONOPOLY

Two's company, three's a crowd. That might be the theme song of Jimmy Carruthers and Vic Toweel who, on behalf of Australia and South Africa respectively, are threatening to make the world bantam boxing title very much a private affair.

But current events suggest that both Mr. Toweel and Mr. Carruthers may shortly have to think again. For a third party has entered on the scene who threatens to upset their little arrangement at the earliest possible moment.

His name is Hogan Kid Bassey, a 20-year-old lad from Nigeria who arrived in England in December, 1951, with two passions, one for fighting and the other for cowboy films.

At Belle Vue, Manchester, a fortnight ago, Hogan fought Lou Romero of Spain, and the way he disposed of his opponent proved that he was tougher than any mid-Western cowboy, with fists nearly as lethal as a colt's.

## LOGICAL CONTENDER

On the form he displayed against the Spaniard, Bassey is a logical contender for the world title.

In November 1951, Toweel, at the top of his form, took the full 15 rounds to dispose of the Spaniard. Bassey did the job in eight.

And not only the victory, but the manner of it stamped the Nigerian as a fighter who will go places, leaving many a battered opponent in his wake. He pummeled Romero continually from start to finish.

And Romero, try as he did, even with all his vast experience, could not avert the defeat that stared into his bruised and bloody face.

The end was as dramatic as the rest of the fight. Bassey landed a perfectly timed right cross which dazed Romero.

The Nigerian, seeing his chance, leaped in and with a tremendous left and right to the jaw smashed his opponent to his knees.

Romero staggered to his feet at the count of nine, but was in no condition to defend himself.

If the referee had not stopped the bout, he would have had a case of manslaughter on his hands.

## OUTSIZE PUNCH

Bassey is a small man, but with an outsize in power. He hits with the power of a much heavier man—a rarity in modern boxing—because he is a correct puncher, who puts the full weight of his body behind the blow.

He is a boxer-fighter, combining perfect style with great courage. Unlike many of his contemporaries he realises that he is bound to be hit sometimes, and accepts this as a vocational risk.

He is not afraid to stay within the distance where he can do the most damage. If anyone likes to stay with him, all well and good. He is prepared to back his punching power against theirs.

What sort of man is this ebony fighter with venom in each of his quicksilver fists? Is he another Baiting Siki, the ferocious native from Senegal who won the world lightweight title, and was as ferocious outside the ring as he was inside?

Hardly. Hogan Bassey is certainly not venomous. He is shy, not even belligerent. He is shy. The only time he will engage in conversation is when it gets round to boxing. Then he prefers the role of listener to talker.

For Hogan, or 'Kid' as he is known, lives for boxing. He is never happier than when in the ring. But outside it fighting is forgotten.

## COURAGE AND MODESTY

He became a professional practically as soon as he had left school, and it was as a 'veteran' of a mere five fights, and an ex-pupil of only a few weeks, that he became the Nigerian flyweight champion. The story behind his winning the title illustrates his courage and modesty.

On the morning of the contest, happening in a check-out shop on the scales outside a chemist's shop, he found he was two pounds over the mark. By doing a lot of road work in the morning, resting in the afternoon, and not eating a bite all day, he got the surplus down to a few ounces.

His was one of the last fights on the bill and whilst the other bouts were in progress, Hogan was running round the local race track. Thus his last-minute preparation for a championship fight of 12 two-minute rounds was to run nearly 20 miles on an empty stomach. And he did not tell anyone until he had won.

After a dozen fights in Nigeria, Hogan came to the notice of England manager Pete Banasco. Pete had never seen him fight, but on a friend's recommendation brought him to England. Here, Hogan joined fellow-countryman Israel Boyle, Nigerian featherweight champion. Later Don Collo and Bola Lawal came over to swell the ranks.

Pete is their trainer as well as the manager, and the boxers do their work-outs at Stanley House, the coloured people's community centre in Liverpool. He told me he has never had an easier boxer to handle than Hogan. "I never have to ask him to train," he said, "he just does it. Why, on Christmas morning he was up at half past five to do some road work and he didn't have a fight on hand."

## READY TO LISTEN

"Hogan likes to keep it all the time," Pete added. "Within three or four days of a fight, he is back in full training. And he's so attentive. He's always ready to listen to advice. 'Like any boxer, Hogan wants to win the world title. But not for personal success. He thinks of himself as representing his fellow-countrymen. Before every fight he says to me: 'Manager, I must do well not for myself, but for my people.'"

Hogan comes from a large family, but of the three boys, he is the only boxer. He is now earning more money than he has had in his life, but he does not forget his family and he regularly sends money home. Two weeks ago he sent £400 for his younger brother's education.

He is going back to Nigeria for a holiday in April, probably for six weeks. At any rate until his 21st birthday on June 3. Although the visit is intended as a rest, it is his love of boxing that he will probably have a couple of fights providing word of his reputation has not reached—would-be opponents—London Express Service.

By Order,  
H. MISA,  
Secretary.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

ELEVENTH RACE MEETING 1952/53

Saturday, 21st March, 1953.

(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

The programme will consist of 9 races. The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2 p.m.

Through Tickets (9 Races)—\$18.00 also tickets at \$2 each for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Hong Kong Derby" scheduled to be run on 2nd May, 1953, may be obtained at the Cash Sweep Office of the Club at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road.

Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10 a.m. on Friday, 20th March, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, sweep tickets may also be purchased at the Club's Branch Offices at:

5 D'Aguiar Street, Hong Kong

382 Nathan Road, Kowloon

## TOTALISATOR

The attention of Totalisator Investors is drawn to the following rules:

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies so declared by the Stewards when the "ALL CLEAR" is given. The "ALL CLEAR" signal will be indicated by a white light at the Totalisator Tower. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESTROY OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED.

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All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or discoloured tickets.

## MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

SETS OF MEMBERS' AND LADIES' BADGES WHICH ARE BEING ISSUED FOR THE 1953 RACING SEASON ARE NOT VALID UNTIL 1ST APRIL, 1953. 1952 SETS ARE VALID UNTIL THEN.

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and the Club Room at \$10.00 including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Alexandra House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all chits, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office is situated at Queen's Building, Ground floor, Chater Road, and the Secretary's Office at Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 including tax for all persons including Ladies and will be payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Public Enclosure during a Meeting will forfeit his or her right of admission to the Enclosure and will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

## SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.



(Contributed by Desmond Hackett, Robert Findlay and Henry Rose. Edited by Marshall Fallows)

Each morning Torquay centre-forward Albert Calland leaves brother Ralph's house, mounts the iron fence running round the garden and walks 30 feet along the top railing.

No, Albert is not practising for circus work. It is just a spot of special training thought up by his brother, the veteran Torquay left-back, to give him balance.

"I started him off walking along the edge of a plank in the garden," says Ralph. "Now he walks the fence-top easily... it's bevelled, too."

Is the training doing any good? Apparently it helps. Before he was injured Albert hit nine goals in ten matches.

"Balance is most important," declares Ralph.

Maurice Edelston, the Northampton Town inside-right and ex-Reading skipper, hopes to be adopted as Tory candidate for the Tilehurst ward in the Reading municipal elections.

Edelston, part-owner of a Reading sports shop, still does his training at Elm Park.

BETTER THAN RIVIERA

West Bromwich Albion have changed their nick-name from

"Baggies" to "Indians." Like this...

Skin rashes developed by some of the young players were thought to have originated in the dressing-room baths. So the baths were chemically treated.

Next time they were used the players emerged with white faces and beautifully browned bodies.

"Better than a month on the Riviera," cracked trainer Filton.

Too old at 47? ... Not so Harry Hibbs, former Walsall manager and Birmingham "keeper."

Hibbs, who made 30 appearances in goal for England, is making his comeback as a permit with De Havilland (Hatfield) in the Herts County League.

## Two Major Upsets In Colony Shuttle Championships

Two major upsets were produced in the fourth night's matches of the Colony Open Junior Badminton championships at Tai Koo Club last night.

In the Junior Mixed Doubles event, up and coming Johnny Pomeroy, Jr. and Mrs. Melvie Soares took the main honours of the night by eliminating the top-seeded combination of K. C. Wong and Mrs. Elvie Took in two straight sets, 18-17 and 15-11, and in the Junior Men's Doubles Division, schoolboys Siu Chuen and Wong Shiu-kwong turned the tables on K. L. Hui and C. Y. San by 18-16 and 15-7.

Largely responsible for the St. Teresa pair's upset victory was the fine performance of Johnny Pomeroy, Jr. who dominated the backcourt with his powerful smashes and fast returns and coverage.

Melvie Soares who made a welcome return to the game after two seasons' absence, started off a little shakily, but rose to the occasion as the game progressed by fully blanketing the net.

Wong and Elvie Took started off promisingly with a lead of 4-1, 6-1, 10-3, 12-4 and 13-7 in the first set. They paid the full penalty for a slight relaxation at this period, as their opponents set themselves to the task in full earnest determination to force the set to decide, and overcame a 16-17 deficit to annex the first by 18-17.

## Archie Moore Beat Valdes

St. Louis, Mar. 12.

Archie Moore, world light heavyweight champion, beat Nino Valdes last night on a unanimous decision of the referee and judges in a ten-round non-title fight.

Moore, at 160 lb., conceded more than 24 lb. in weight to his Cuban rival.

There were no knockdowns, although Moore appeared to be trying for a knockout punch in the later stages after wearing down the big Valdes. It was the first time Moore had boxed in St. Louis since he won his world title from Joey Maxim three months ago.

He stayed in close to batter Valdes' body and occasionally straightened up to send home good lefts and rights to the head.

Both Wong and Elvie Took fell completely to pieces in the second set, playing right into their opponents' hard hitting game. From 6-7, Pomeroy and Melvie Soares reeled off eight points in a row, conceding only four more points before reaching set and match.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Junior Men's Singles.—B.A. Brown beat A. Kroll 15-2, 10-7; C. Y. San beat Koh Wai-bong 18-16, 15-7.

Junior Ladies' Singles.—Mrs. T.C. Chan beat Mrs. S. Wong 8-11, 11-7, 11-7.

Junior Mixed Doubles.—J.A. Soares and Miss B. Remedios beat A.J. Remedios and Miss Rita Marques 15-8, 15-7; J. Pomeroy Jr. and Mrs. M. Soares beat K.C. Wong and Mrs. Elvie Took 18-17, 15-11.

Senior Men's Singles.—Frank Yeh and Mrs. S. Silva 13-7, 15-7.

Men's Junior Doubles.—Wong Shiu-kwong and Siu Chuen beat C.Y. San and K.L. Hui 18-16, 15-4.

TODAY'S GAMES

The following will be played at the VTC to-morrow:

Junior Men's Singles, 7 p.m.—J. Pomeroy Jr. v. Mary Wong; Junior Men's Doubles, 7.30 p.m.—J. Pomeroy Jr. and Mrs. M. Soares v. K.C. Wong and Mrs. Elvie Took.

Junior Ladies' Singles, 8 p.m.—Mrs. T.C. Chan v. Mrs. S. Wong and Mrs. T.C. Chan.

Junior Mixed Doubles, 8.30 p.m.—J. Pomeroy Jr. and Mrs. M. Soares v. K.C. Wong and Mrs. Elvie Took.

Senior Men's Singles, 9 p.m.—J. Pomeroy Jr. v. Mrs. M. Soares.

Senior Ladies' Singles, 9 p.m.—Mrs. T.C. Chan v. Mrs. S. Wong.

Senior Mixed Doubles, 9.30 p.m.—J. Pomeroy Jr. and Mrs. M. Soares v. K.C. Wong and Mrs. Elvie Took.

## Hongkong Win Table-Tennis Test Series

Bombay, Mar. 12.

Hongkong won their table-tennis test rubber against India tonight when they beat India by three matches to one in the fourth series.

Hongkong won two of the previous three tests in the series of five.

The fifth test of the series will be played at Calcutta.

The scores were:

Chung Chin-sing (Hongkong) beat K. Jayant 21-14, 21-10, 24-22; Sih Su-chu (Hongkong) beat D. Sampat 21-13, 21-13, 19-21, 21-17; Sih Su-chu beat K. Jayant 21-19, 22-20, 21-18.

Doubles: U. Chandanra and D. Somaya (India) beat Sih Su-chu and Chung Chin-sing 21-40, 10-21, 21-16, 20-22, 21-14.

Reuter.

## Tennis Final

## WANG BECOMES NEW COLONY SINGLES CHAMPION AT 43

Hefty 43-year-old V. T. Wang, a pre-war Shanghai champion, yesterday annexed the Hongkong Grasscourt Open Singles tennis title for the first time when he defeated Hongkong's 1941 champion Tsui Yun-pui in three straight sets 6-2, 7-5 and 6-2.

The largest crowd yet seen at any of this year's championship matches saw the 80-minute battle of the veterans, and though disappointed in their expectation of a long-drawn five-set affair, were treated to some good tennis.

Wang was a deserving winner, being the superior player on the evening's performance. His power-packed drives on both backhand and forehand of immaculate length and his deadly volleys and accurate overhead smashes enabled him to have the control of the major part of the game.

His fine anticipation offset his handicap in build and age, and accounted largely for the apparently surprising speed with which he was able to get to the number of drop shots that were put at him.

Tsui Yun-pui went down fighting and was unlucky not to have at least extended his opponent to the fourth set, as he had the set-game in hand on his service at 4-1 in the second set when he lost it by 30-50.

Tsui started by adopting the correct offensive game against Wang, but soon found himself unable to keep it up for lack of a good length and force in his drives and volleys. Wang's fast passing shots and accurate lob had him frequently in difficulties.

He, however, displayed a better service than his opponent, using frequently on his first services to Wang's backhand and to his body. In the third set, in which he appeared to be the more tired player than his opponent, Tsui fell completely off his game in trying to keep up a base-line duel and went into an erratic spree that gave Wang a comfortable set and match.

## THE PLAY

Wang opened the service with a love-game on four consecutive errors by Tsui and went to a 3-0 lead, before Tsui recovered with two ace-services from 40-16 and 40-30 to clinch his first game. Despite a double-fault that took the score to 30-30 on his next service game, Wang increased his lead to 4-1, when Tsui netted a drop shot and sent his opponent's next service into the net.

Tsui had the better of the base-line rallies in the sixth game, when he kept Wang on the run with his half-court cross drives and took the game by a love-margin.

Holding a 30-15 lead on his service, but lobbed out the next shot, Tsui netted a forehand cross follow-up volley. Wang completed the set with a lucky forehand side-line drive that rebounded off the tape of the net.

The second set started with the longest game of the evening, when Tsui fought pluckily from 15-40 to force the game to six deuces before reaching through his opponent's service game. He held his service to lead by 2-0 and maintained it at 3-1.

Wang narrowed the gap to 2-3 on his service and games went with the services until 4-3 when Tsui dropped his service game after taking a 30-0 lead.

## CAREFUL PLAY

Careful play on Tsui's part forced Wang into three successive errors in the next game, which Tsui took at 50-15 to get within reach of set at 5-4. Starting with an ace, Tsui soon found himself trailing 15-30.

Another ace brought him level at 30-30, but his next drop shot was easily put away by Wang, who followed it up with a forehand side-line volley to draw level at 5-5. Wang took a 40-0 lead to an easy game to lead 6-5 and broke through Tsui's service game with two forehand diagonal drives, and two errors by Tsui.

The third set opened with another game that went to five deuces and was again won by Tsui with a forehand cross

drive to service and a counter-drop.

The second game of the set saw Tsui lose his service by a love-margin with a succession of errors that started him on his erratic spree. Wang went on to 5-1 despite game efforts by Tsui who forced the fifth and sixth games to deuce before losing them.

A final stand gave Tsui the seventh game, and the match game to an end when trailing behind by 15-30 on his service, he sent the next shot into the net and followed this up with an overdrive.

## TODAY'S FINAL

The final of the Colony Doubles Championship will be played off this afternoon and will be followed by the distribution of prizes won during the 1952-1953 season.

Contestants for the doubles final are the Tsui brothers and V. T. Wang and Tony Liang.

The long-standing combination of the Tsui brothers, who have already won the title on no less than seven occasions will start as the favourites, but both Liang and Wang are not incapable of upsetting all calculations.

The match should be a fairly close one, and the Tsui will have to be at their best to break through the strong defence of the challengers.

## Archery Club Accepts Postal Shoot Challenge

The Hongkong Archery Club has accepted a challenge to a postal shoot with the Admiralty Compass Observatory Archery Club, Brighton, Paris, Slough, Bucks, England.

The challenging club has submitted a list of the names of six men and four women who will shoot against the same number of archers from the Hongkong Archery Club.

The challenging shoot will be held at the elimination tournament among members that have successfully completed the Classification score and are eligible for the Archer's Classification Badge.

The six high scores among the men and the four high scores among the women, will be selected to represent the HKAC in the postal match with the English Club.

## FINAL SHOOTING

The final shooting for postal scores to be sent to England will take place on March 13th at Army Playing Field at 1 p.m.

The men will shoot an American Round and the women will shoot a Colombia Round. The American round consists of 60 arrows shot at a target at 60, 50 and 40 yards. The Colombia round consists of 72 arrows shot at a target at 60, 40 and 30 yards.

Archers among the men that will compete in the elimination tournament are: Kenneth Kwok, J. Wynne-Edwards, Dennis Field, Ken Vivian, John Root, Ricardo Leng, John Martin, R. Vosper, J. E. Edwards, Joseph Wei, A. Crow and A. Ground.

Seven women will compete for the four places open for the postal competition. They are: Miss J. el Arcull, Miss Alice Oel, Mrs. B. Stanton, Miss Muriel Poon, Mrs. Rita Martin, Mrs. K. Vivian and Mrs. Martha Field.

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IN THE GOODS OF Lookong Ne Cheung Hin, late of No. 23, Sharp Street, East, 1st floor, Happy Valley, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, Merchant, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 23 of the Probate & Administration Ordinance, Cap. 10, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the estate of the above-named deceased to the 3rd day of April, 1953.

All creditors and others are accordingly required to send in their claims to the undersigned on or before the said date.

Dated this 9th day of March, 1953.

BRUTTON & CO.,  
Solicitors for the Executor,  
Windsor House,  
Hongkong.

## NOTICE

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.  
(Incorporated in Hong Kong)

Notice to Shareholders  
Ordinary Yearly Meeting  
Notice is hereby given that the Sixty-second Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Friday, the 27th day of March, 1953, at Noon, to transact the following business:—

- To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1952, and the Auditors' Report thereon.
- To sanction a Dividend in respect of the year 1952.
- To elect Directors.
- To appoint Auditors.

Closing of Transfer Books  
Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 14th March, 1953, to the 27th March, 1953, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**G. B. S. THOMSON,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 6th March, 1953.

## TO ADVERTISERS

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Space for commercial advertising should be booked not later than noon on Wednesdays.  
For the SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST and the CHINA MAIL, 48 hours before date of publication.  
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## NOTICE

THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

Notice of General Meeting  
NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at The Board Room of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Alexandra House, 8th Floor, on Tuesday, 24th March 1953, at 5.30 p.m. to receive the Report of the Committee for the year ended 31st December 1952 and to approve the Accounts and to transact such other business as may be necessary according to the Constitution of the Society.

By Order of the Executive Committee,  
**(Mrs.) I. M. HALLIGAN,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 11th March, 1953.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Consignees per  
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are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown, where it will be at consignee's risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the godown for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors. Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on 16th March, 1953.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.  
No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 15th March, 1953, will be subject to rent.  
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Hongkong, 11th March, 1953.

## Universities Following Red Line?

(Hamilton, N.Y., Mar. 12)  
Mr. J. Saunders Redding, a Harvard University professor, believes that three-fourths of the University faculties in India are following the Communist party line.  
Mr. Redding told a Hamilton College lecture audience that he found the minds of the Indian people "set against the United States."  
Mr. Redding, an English professor, recently spent about three months in India.  
As a Negro, he was well received by the Indian people, but he could not make them believe anything good about the United States.  
Indians, he said, believed anything the Communists say, considered the United States imperialistic and "fear our motives in sending aid to India."  
Three things worked against Democracy in India, he said. These were Communist infiltration of the universities, Government indifference to infiltration and a "hate America" campaign.—Reuter.

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"CARPENTER"	5th April	5th May
"CORFU"	8th May	8th June
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Outwards from UK	Due	For
"SOUDAN"	10th March	Japan
"SINGAPORE"	20th March	Japan
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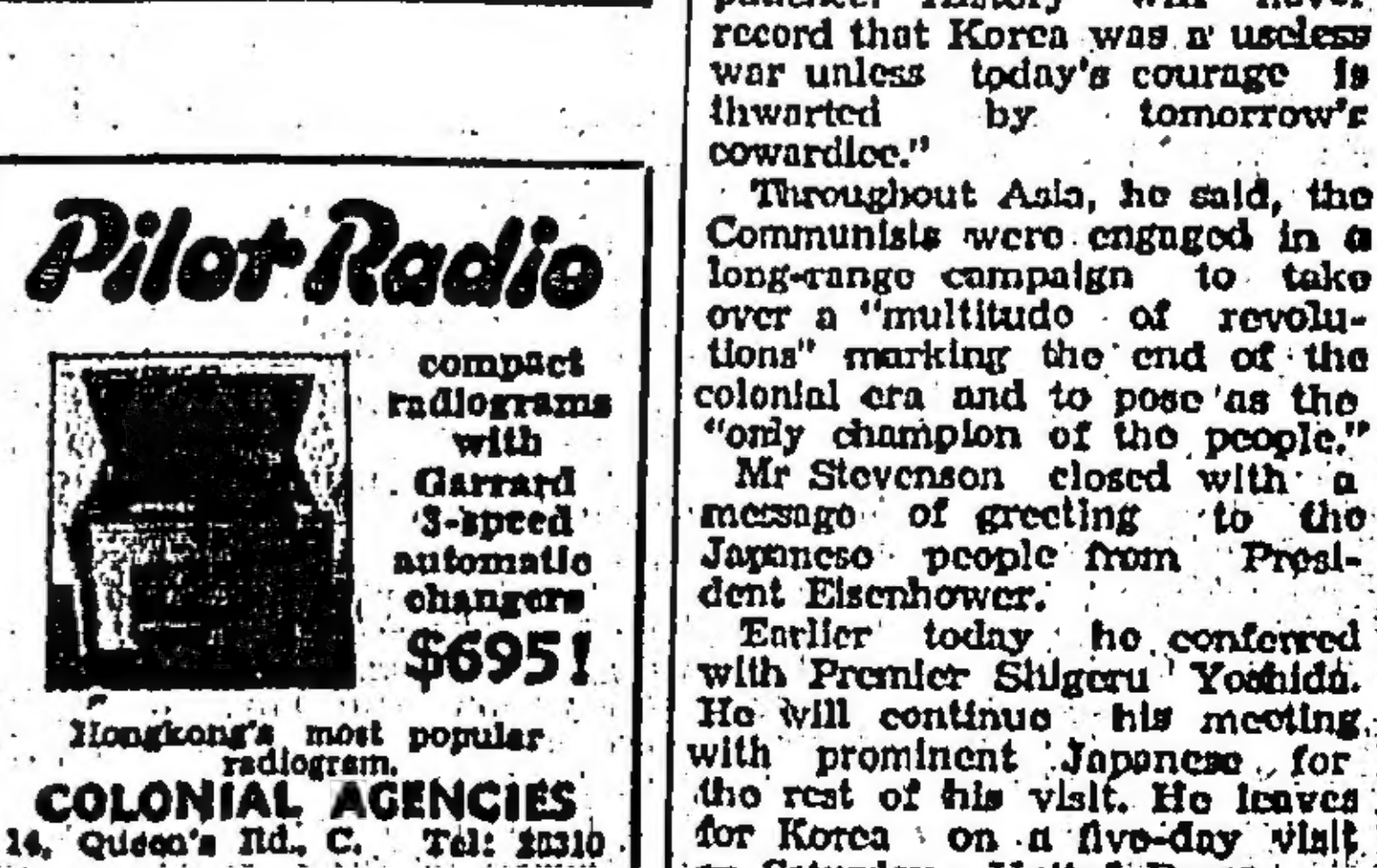
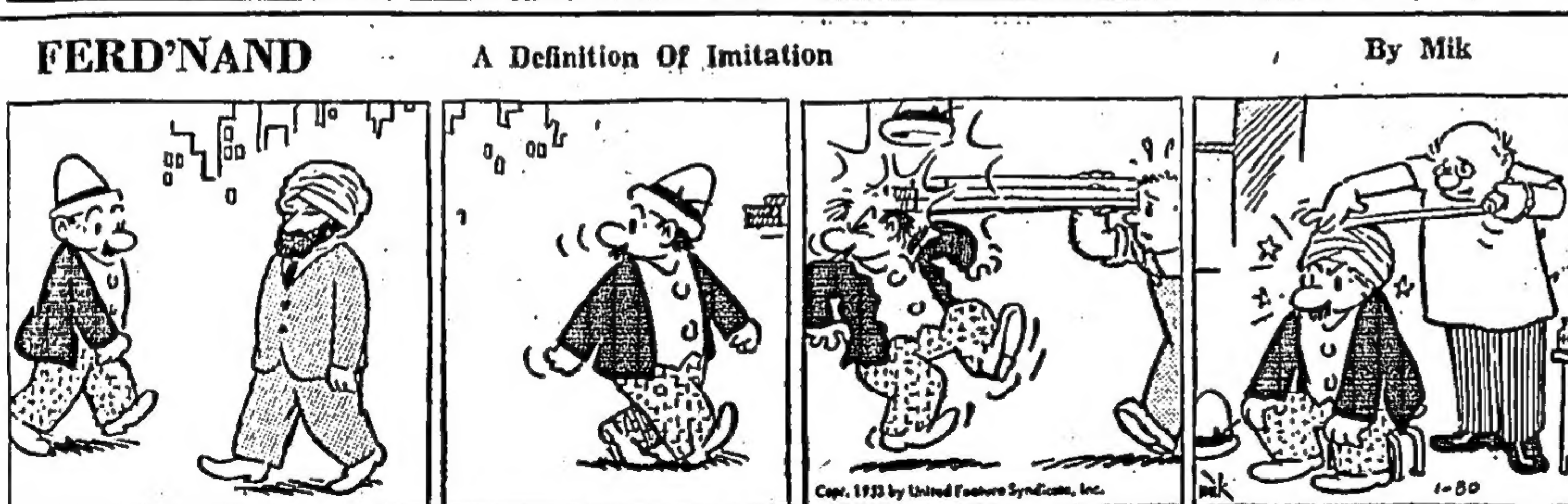
"UMARIA"	due 21st Mar.	from F. Gulf, Karachi, Bombay, Colombo, Singapore
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	sails 3rd Apr.	from Japan
		for Singapore, Colombo, Bombay & Karachi

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## Future For Tankers

London. The large-scale construction of oil tankers has been the most striking feature of post-war shipbuilding programmes, says the "Financial Times".

Today oil tankers represent over one-fifth of all merchant tonnage in the world and the rate of building now in hand promises to increase that proportion unless it is halted by the scrapping of older vessels. In 1951 the world tanker fleet expanded by nearly 8 per cent and in 1952 by more than 9 per cent. By the end of 1952 world orders for tankers of 5,000 dead-weight tons and over had reached a new record of about 15,250, tons, or almost 47 per cent of the existing world fleet. With increasing steel supplies, completions this year are expected to be in the region of 12 per cent of the present tonnage. The rapid development of both oil production and consumption which has led to this vast building programme has also served to keep in commission older vessels which under more normal marketing conditions would by now have been out of service.

**NATURAL TRANSITION** Certain unexpected stimulus, such as the outbreak of the Korean war and the reorientation of tanker routes necessitated by the loss of Abadan, pushed freight rates to an exceptionally high level.

The tanker tonnage scrapped in 1952 was negligible and the present decline in freight rates—even if at first sight it appears a startling change from the previous high levels—can be seen partly as a natural transition in a rapidly expanding industry.

To this is now added the failure of world oil consumption to expand at the rate expected. And the temporary oil surplus which has been experienced in the United States in recent months is now having its corollary in the tanker world.

**FEELING BURDEN** The burden of this change will be felt by the independent owners whose tankers are on charter to the big oil companies and the owners of older vessels.

Over 33½ per cent of the total world tonnage at the end of last year was built before the war or during its early years, 15 per cent was built before 1932. Charterers are now increasingly able to choose their ships and will inevitably choose the more modern rather than the outdated. It can thus be expected that for the first time since the war this year will see some substantial—and realistic—scrapping of older vessels.

**LITTLE FEAR** There is little need to fear, however, says the "Financial Times", that the new tonnage now under construction will not in the long run be fully employed.

The trend of oil consumption over a long period is hard to assess, but the policy of constructing refineries in the country where the oil products are used involves additional shipping capacity for the import of crude instead of refined oil. The present situation is to a great extent one of readjustment, but as such it is uncomfortable for some.

## British Pits Lose More Men: Recruiting Down

London, Mar. 4. Colliery manpower on February 21 stood where it was at the beginning of the year—at 720,700. Recruitment was well down compared with 1952 and wastage higher.

According to Sir Hubert Houldsworth, chairman of the National Coal Board, the industry will need ten to twelve thousand more men in 1953. But they must be in the right places.

In Northumberland, Durham, Kent and parts of Lancashire there are pit notices stating: "This colliery has no vacancies" yet in Yorkshire, South Wales and the West Midlands men are being sought.

During the first six weeks of the year 8,102 new entrants were enrolled, against 13,319 last year. These included 3,403 juveniles, compared with 3,779 in 1952. Overall wastage was 7,940, against 5,630 a year ago. Since January 17, when school leavers had pushed the force up to 721,700, there has been a drain of 10,000. At 720,700 there are still 12,400 more men than a year ago, but on January 3 there were 21,000 more men than on January 5, 1952.

**DANGEROUS TREND** Labour always fluctuates but the trend is one to be watched. So far as the really important producers are concerned, there were on February

## Empire Association's Attack On Tariff Pact

### International Cotton Conference

Washington, Mar. 12. The Agriculture Department announced today that the next international cotton standards conference will be held here next May 13.

The meeting will be attended by the cotton trade associations of Belgium, England, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands and Spain in addition to representatives of the United States Agriculture Department and of shippers, mills, producers, cooperative associations, and various farm organisations in the United States. The conference, called in connection with the Universal Cotton Standards Agreements, will examine and approve copies of the revised standards promulgated last year by the United States Agriculture Department under the United States Cotton Standards Act—United Press.

### Singapore Firm Gets Contract

Singapore, Mar. 12. A Singapore firm has been given the contract to build a new \$4,000,000 bridge in Colombo, despite world wide competition from Great Britain, France, Germany, Japan, India and other countries.

Mr J. C. Gammon, chairman of Gammon (Malaya) Ltd., who is flying to Colombo shortly to conclude the final formalities of the contract, contending the vital factor in securing the contract was the incorporation in the foundation design of a new concrete piling system perfected in Malaya by Mr J. Murray, managing director of the company.

Piles would be sunk to rock level about 80 feet below the bed of the Kelani River in Colombo and this would save a great deal of time which would otherwise be taken up by sinking foundation cylinders into the rock by means of compressed air.

The new bridge across the Kelani River would be 900 feet long, 80 feet wide and capable of carrying eight lanes of traffic, providing essential access from Colombo to Kandy and other districts.

The present Victoria Bridge, which spans the Kelani River, has room for only two lanes of traffic.—United Press.

### Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates: U.S. dollar (per \$1) 600; Straits dollar (per £1) 16.91; Indonesia guilders (per 100) 21.40; Singapore dollars (per 100) 16.25; S.F.C. pounds (per 100) 12.50.

## "WHOLLY ILLOGICAL"

London, Mar. 12. The situation caused by Japan's application to join the GATT "tariff club" is a condemnation, not of Japan, but of the "wholly illogical provisions" which have been written into the Agreement.

This is the verdict passed by the Empire Industries Association and British Empire League on the recommendations of the special GATT committee, which recently examined the difficulties arising out of Japan's application for membership.

These staunch supporters of Imperial Preference point out in the latest issue of their monthly "Bulletin" that the re-entry of Japan into the free world as a trading nation is something which is by no means to be deplored.

"Japan," the "Bulletin" writes, "is singularly like Great Britain in her position as an island territory with a large and growing population producing little or nothing in the way of raw materials, and must live, as Great Britain does, by exporting manufactured goods in order to buy raw materials and food. The mere fact that conditions in Japan enable her people to live happily in conditions which would in no way satisfy most of the peoples of the Western world does not entitle other countries to stigmatise her trade as unfair or condemn her for her efficiency."

Japan's position as a normal trader, however, has no bearing

on the malpractices in which the Japanese were wont to indulge before the war, it continues. Those were utterly to be condemned, but form an entirely different problem.

### FEAR OF OUTHROW

The fear of GATT members is centred, the "Bulletin" says, on the sudden outburst of goods from Japan into their countries. This would undoubtedly cause immense dislocation "with which apparently GATT is unable to deal."

One of the "wholly illogical" aspects of GATT, it goes on, is that it starts with an assumption that equality of trading facilities and an expansion of trade will be attained by a level of fiscal treatment meted out to all and sundry alike.

This assumption would be valid, it says, only if productive capacity in all countries was alike to start with, and the conditions under which they were treated precisely similar the world over. "Japan," by being so vastly different from other trading nations, has dropped a bomb into GATT which may well shake it to its foundations," the "Bulletin" states.

**WOOLLY THEORIES** "If it does, it will have done good work, and we may see emerging from the explosion a General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade based on realities instead of on woolly theories, and which will permit tariffs and other measures to be adjusted to suit the circumstances of each case, the elimination of the most-favoured-nation clause, and the re-establishment of the sensible procedure of preferential trading."

The "Bulletin" outlines the recommendations of the special GATT committee which examined Japan's application for membership, and describes as "unfortunate" its conclusion that action taken to protect domestic industries against an influx of foreign goods should not discriminate against any one member.

The very fact that the Japanese application was the subject of a special examination, the "Bulletin" says, is a "significant commentary" on the principles of GATT, which assumes that if all tariffs are kept at the same level on all imports, whatever their source, the object of complete equality among all trading nations will be attained.

**"OBVIOUS TRUTH"** The wide gap between Japan and some other countries seems to have brought home to some members the "obvious truth" that the methods employed are faulty.

"Differences, although not so noticeable as exist between all trading countries," the "Bulletin" asserts, "but because the results are gradual, they are ignored. The sudden admission of Japan undoubtedly calls for some change in procedure, but in reality the process is going on the whole time and must eventually bring about the realisation that the principle laid down is fundamentally wrong."

(—London Express Service)

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$339,470.75. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:—

### SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS

HK Bank XD 145 1350

East Asia 145 1350

INSURANCES

Union 777½

DOCKS, ETC.

W. P. Wharf 60 70

Dock 1820 1900 @ 18 10

Provident (Old) 200 @ 12 10

Provident (New) 1120 600 @ 11

Wheelock 735 740 600 @ 7 35

LAND, ETC.

HK Hotel XD 7 710 1900 @ 7 05

SHAI LAND 214 230 2000 @ 21 4

UTILITIES

Star Ferry 107 XD 20 500 @ 20 10

C. Light (N) 9½ 9 50 200 @ 9 10

C. Light (S) 5 55 200 @ 5 20

Electric XD 2150 2100 600 @ 21 50

TEL. XD 1610 500 @ 16 10

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Cement XD 1530 17

STORIES, ETC.

Battery 10 1020 500 @ 10 20

Watson XD 21 31

COTTONS

MISC. LANSBROS 2½

Yangtze 5.85 5.90

Blanket crepe 05-07

No. 1 pale crepe 05-07

United Press.

### World Conference Of Shippers

New York, Mar. 12.

About 1,000 businessmen from 50 nations will attend the biennial congress of the International Chamber of Commerce in Vienna, Austria, from May 18 through May 28. The United States Council of the International Chamber of Commerce announced.

Theme of the meeting will be "world trade is everybody's business."—Associated Press.

## Jap Mission In Cuba

Havana, Mar. 12. A Japanese trade mission has arrived in Cuba. It was met at the airport by Cuban Government representatives of the Ministry of State.

The 10-man mission will visit Senor Miguel de la Campa, Minister of State, today, and is expected to be received on Friday by President Batista.—France Presse.

## SALVAGE AGREEMENT SIGNED

Manila, Mar. 12. The Philippine and Japanese Governments today signed an agreement providing for the salvage of sunken vessels in Philippine waters as part of reparations payment to this country.

The Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Felino Neri, and Toru Nakagawa, chief of the Japanese Mission in Manila, signed the agreement for their respective governments in Mr Neri's office.

The accord was officially described as an "interim agreement on reparations concerning the salvage of sunken vessels between the Republic of the Philippines and Japan."

The agreement provides: 1. The Japanese Government will provide the Philippine Government with the services of Japanese, including the necessary operating equipment and supplies, for the salvage work; 2. The Philippines will cooperate with the Japanese Government in providing locally available facilities for the salvage operations. The Philippine Government will take adequate measures for the protection of the life and property of the Japanese nationals engaged in the operations;

3. Details for the execution of the agreement will be agreed upon through consultation between the two Governments; 4. The agreement will take effect after it has been approved by each Government in accordance with constitutional procedures and upon the exchange of diplomatic notes indicating such approval;

5. The agreement will become an integral part of the final arrangements on reparations which will be concluded between the two Governments. —United Press.

## Nationwide Campaign In India

New Delhi, Mar. 12. Government officials will launch a nationwide campaign on March 15 to popularise Japanese rice growing techniques which could banish India's recurrent famines.

Bombay State experiments have shown that rice yields jump from the normal 1,000 pounds per acre average there to more than 3,500 pounds per acre with the use of long-sown, straight rows.

Food Ministry officials estimate that rice comprises slightly more than half of India's annual food grains output. Rice imports from abroad average 600,000 tons annually and cost up about 500,000,000 Rupees in foreign exchange each year.

Chief features of the Japanese method are use of less but better quality seed, sowing in a raised, nursery-like bed, transplanting of seedlings, straight rows to make weeding and fertilising easier, and improved fertiliser practices.—Associated Press.

## LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Mar. 12. The tin market was quiet and steady today. Turnover was 30 tons, all for cash. Prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:—

Spot tin, buyers 550  
Spot tin, sellers 550  
Business done at 550  
Three-months tin, buyers 540  
Three-months tin, sellers 540  
Business done at 540  
Settlement 540  
—United Press.

## JAPANESE BONDS

London, Mar. 12. Japanese bonds, "A" (4% of 1890) 84  
"B" (4% of 1910) 71  
"C" (5% of 1907) 124½  
"D" (5% of 1924) 101½  
"E" (5½% of 1930) 144½  
Consols 50½  
—United Press.

## Peking Trade Plans

### To Send Delegation To Japan?

Tokyo, Mar. 12. A Japanese just returned from Peking says Red China is planning to send a delegation to Japan to promote trade between the two nations. Kyodo News Service said today.

This report came from Yoshitaro Hirano, a member of the mission which negotiated in Peking for repatriation of thousands of Japanese now in Communist China. The mission returned to Tokyo on Tuesday.

Only last Sunday, the U.S. and Britain jointly announced measures to halt the shipment of strategic materials to Communist China calling for a virtual economic blockade.

Mr Hirano also said Chinese authorities are planning to hold a commodity fair of Red China goods in Japan.

A Japanese Foreign Office spokesman said it and when a request is received from Chinese Communists for entry, the request would be handled in the same manner as any which might be received from the Soviet bloc. He added, however, that the Government's policy on how they would be handled cannot be disclosed. He did not recall any such request having been made.

Mr Hirano said Red China desires to import Japanese galvanised sheet iron and other building materials.

The Communists hope to trade directly with Japan instead of through Hongkong traders, according to Kumaiichi Yamamoto, head of the Japanese Trade Promotion Council, said Kyodo. Mr Yamamoto is now in Tokyo.

Kyodo said Mr Yamamoto wrote the council here that Peking officials also are speeding up plans to set up trade organs to enable Japanese to negotiate with Red China traders in Hongkong. Mr Yamamoto also wrote that Red China is planning to invite Japan to open a Japanese commodity fair in Communist China.—Associated Press.

### JAPAN AND P.I.

Manila, Mar. 12. The new Japan is not interested in exploiting the Philippines but to be of mutual help," Namoru Nagano, head of a seven-man Japanese goodwill mission, said today.

Mr Nagano told a Press conference many more Japanese are today sympathetic toward paying reparations to the Philippines.

He advocated a greater exchange of goods between the two countries. He cited iron ore, salt, lumber and pulp as articles much needed in Japan.

"We are able to import up to 4,000,000 tons of iron ore from the Philippines," he said.

"But a greater flow of trade could only develop after we redeem ourselves to the Philippine people and to prove to them the new concept of mutual help. We are out to give and give, not give and take," Mr Nagano said.

The mission is made up of three Diet members, one businessman, one Foreign Office member, one official from the Ministry of Industry and Trade and one adviser.

The group, which arrived here last Saturday from Tokyo, will proceed to Djakarta, Indonesia, Saturday. Their itinerary includes Singapore, Bangkok, India, Rangoon and Hongkong.—Associated Press.

## New British Products

New York, Mar. 12. Three new British products—corks, wrenches and a razor—have been introduced on the American market.

From Kinkee-Bee Characters, London, come bottle corks hand-painted to represent famous figures of the world. From F.L. Wright and Co., Ltd., Halesowen, come wrenches which the makers say are automatically self-adjusting and self-ratcheting. And from Chilton Electric Products Co., Hungerford, Berks, come new electric razors with five-in-one cutting heads which slice off your whiskers with a vibrating cutter.—Associated Press.

## Weekly Bank Statement

London, Mar. 12. The Bank of England statement for the week ending March 11 reads as follows:—  
Notes in circulation 21,421,014,270  
Public deposits 46,521,000  
Private deposits 32,771,525  
Government securities 378,899,430  
Other securities 21,000,000  
Receipts 21,000,000  
Bank ratio 100  
—United Press.

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"FELIX ROUSSEL"	20 Mar.	20-22 Apr.	Manila
Homewards	Hongkong	10th Marseille	Via Saigon
"FELIX ROUSSEL"	22 Apr.	23 May	Manila
Homewards	via Marseille to all Mediterranean & West Africa ports.		
	via Djibouti to Madagascar.		

**FREIGHT SERVICE**

Outwards	Leaves	Hongkong	For
"MEINAM"	Dunkirk—called	23 Apr.	Japan
"TEL-HIO"	Antwerp—8 Apr.	23 May	Japan
Homewards	Leaves	Hongkong	For
"ST. NAZAIRE"	Keelung—5 Apr.	23 Mar.	
"COURMELLES"	Keelung—28 Apr.	30 Apr.	
"MEINAM"	Keelung—28 Apr.	30 Apr.	
"YONKAY"	Keelung—27 May	28 May	

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